MISSOURI AREA LABOR TRENDS

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Missouri Labor Market Review

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Missouri total employment continued to increase in August, and the unemployment rate edged down another two-tenths of a point to 6.2 percent.

The drop in unemployment was the usual seasonal one which occurs in late summer as students and others who did not find summer work leave the labor force. The number of jobless Missourians dropped by about 3800 from July to 156,100 in August.

Both principal measures of employment increased in August. Total employment, the estimate of the number of employed residents of Missouri, grew by 10,300 from July to 2,346,400 in August, a new high level. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment, which estimates the number of nonfarm payroll jobs located in the state, increased by 5000 to 2,034,800. Most of this growth took place in durable goods manufacturing, especially the auto industry which rebounded following model changeover layoffs in July. Industries which manufacture electrical equipment and textiles and apparel also experienced increases between July and August.

Compared to a year ago, total employment has grown by nearly 116,000, while unemployment decreased by about 1200, causing the unemployment rate to drop from 6.6 percent in August 1984 to 6.2 percent this August. Nonfarm payroll employment, on the other hand, has grown by only 13,500 over the year, with most of the net growth occurring in services, retail trade, and finance.

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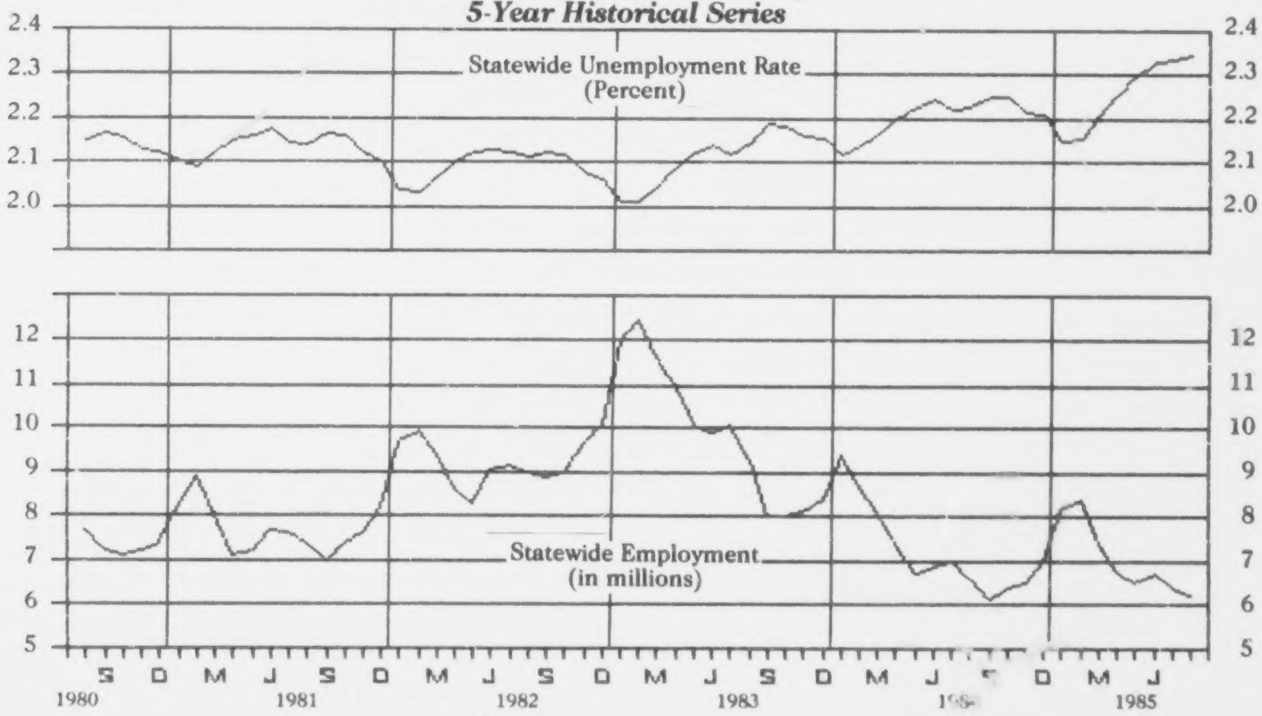

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COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - AUG 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - JUL 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - AUG 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2502462	2346364	156098	6.2	2495985	2336081	159904	6.4	2387804	2230467	157337	6.6
ST. LOUIS MSA	1210458	1119988	90470	7.5	1215490	1124840	90650	7.5	1174420	1083759	90661	7.7
KANSAS CITY MSA	773860	736604	37276	4.8	774541	739620	34921	4.5	742132	701590	40542	5.5
SPRINGFIELD MSA	121211	115648	5563	4.6	120309	114368	5941	4.9	117092	111499	5593	4.8
COLUMBIA MSA	62719	60499	2220	3.5	61320	58986	2334	3.8	58051	55885	2166	3.7
JOPLIN MSA	63202	59431	3771	6.0	62344	58394	3950	6.3	58035	54165	3870	6.7
ST. JOSEPH MSA	42241	39288	2953	7.0	42661	39722	2939	6.9	43002	39752	3250	7.6
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	15674	14910	764	4.9	15746	14802	944	6.0	15507	14652	855	5.5
ANDREW	6602	6267	335	5.1	6442	6168	274	4.3	6348	5967	381	6.0
ATCHISON	4152	3958	194	4.7	4162	3963	199	4.8	4366	4018	348	8.0
AUDRAIN	11459	10649	810	7.1	11371	10407	964	8.5	11169	10514	655	5.9
BARRY	12780	12113	667	5.2	12534	11881	653	5.2	11431	10841	590	5.2
BARTON	5351	5164	187	3.5	5739	4989	750	13.1	5125	4980	145	2.8
BATES	7846	7492	354	4.5	7912	7469	443	5.6	7607	7209	398	5.2
BENTON	5936	5617	319	5.4	6036	5647	389	6.4	5422	5125	297	5.5
BOLLINGER	3100	2672	428	13.8	3184	2651	533	16.7	3004	2577	427	14.2
BUTLER	17346	15887	1459	8.4	16876	15399	1477	8.8	16237	14879	1358	8.4
CALDWELL	3468	3309	159	4.6	3601	3418	183	5.1	3579	3371	208	5.8
CALLAWAY	19360	18181	1179	6.1	18983	17761	1222	6.4	18407	17051	1356	7.4
CAMDEN	17677	17031	646	3.7	17583	16846	737	4.2	14492	13848	644	4.4
CAPE GIRARDEAU	32373	31001	1372	4.2	32801	30958	1843	5.6	30203	28541	1662	5.5
CARROLL	4783	4534	249	5.2	4930	4584	346	7.0	4530	4246	284	6.3
CARTER	3015	2678	337	11.2	2910	2511	399	13.7	2714	2438	276	10.2
CEDAR	4726	4323	403	8.5	4706	4309	397	8.4	4451	4169	282	6.3
CHARITON	5226	4920	306	5.9	5356	4967	389	7.3	4954	4633	321	6.5
CLARK	3562	3320	242	6.8	3394	3139	255	7.5	3349	3105	244	7.3
CLINTON	7606	7165	441	5.8	7761	7343	418	5.4	7497	70[illegible]	457	6.1
COLE/OSAGE LMA	39821	37720	2101	5.3	39283	37109	2174	5.5	37054	34585	2469	6.7
COOPER	7213	6771	442	6.1	7144	6664	480	6.7	6852	6437	415	6.1
CRAWFORD	8093	7543	550	6.8	8083	7506	577	7.1	7582	7001	581	7.7
DADE	3916	3736	180	4.6	4036	3758	278	6.9	3843	3672	171	4.4
DALLAS	5145	4792	353	6.9	5327	4865	462	8.7	4583	4255	328	7.2
DAVIESS	3268	3098	190	5.8	3299	3136	163	4.9	3075	2895	180	5.9
DEKALB	3817	3630	187	4.9	3800	3596	204	5.4	3310	3110	200	6.0
DENT	6463	5993	470	7.3	6402	5892	510	8.0	5804	5214	590	10.2
DOUGLAS	4936	4414	522	10.6	5025	4287	738	14.7	4665	4186	479	10.3
DUNKLIN	13132	11841	1291	9.8	13182	11643	1539	11.7	13167	11829	1338	10.2
GASCONADE	7440	7068	372	5.0	7431	7021	410	5.5	7071	6604	467	6.6
GENTRY	4281	4157	124	2.9	4430	4299	131	3.0	3846	3696	150	3.9
GRUNDY	5378	5014	364	6.8	5317	4956	361	6.8	5112	4806	306	6.0
HARRISON	5413	5205	208	3.8	5473	5251	222	4.1	5049	4824	225	4.5
HENRY	10209	9536	673	6.6	10063	9338	725	7.2	9762	9327	435	4.5
HICKORY	2806	2637	169	6.0	2837	2682	155	5.5	2508	2340	168	6.7
HOLT	3662	3522	140	3.8	3662	3553	109	3.0	3467	3311	156	4.5
HOWARD	5007	4626	381	7.6	4968	4656	312	6.3	4514	4287	227	5.0
HOWELL	13681	12466	1215	8.9	13863	12577	1286	9.3	13075	11949	1126	8.6
IRON	3812	3305	507	13.3	3791	3236	555	14.6	4411	3591	820	18.6
JOHNSON	15998	15362	636	4.0	15881	15120	761	4.8	14999	14436	563	3.8
KNOX	2429	2281	148	6.1	2500	2319	181	7.2	2415	2237	178	7.4
LACLEDE	12288	11129	1159	9.4	12389	10733	1656	13.4	11026	10125	901	8.2
LAWRENCE	13203	12348	855	6.5	12947	12184	763	5.9	12193	11427	76[illegible]	6.3

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	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	6024	5543	481	8.0	5950	5419	531	8.9	5421	4969	452	8.3
LINCOLN	11847	10792	1055	8.9	11170	10332	838	7.5	10359	9646	713	6.9
LINN	7870	7324	546	6.9	7908	7379	529	6.7	7586	7031	555	7.3
LIVINGSTON	6829	6476	353	5.2	6945	6577	368	5.3	6511	6084	427	6.6
MACON	7531	6898	633	8.4	7532	6751	781	10.4	6779	6357	422	6.2
MADISON	3744	3404	340	9.1	3727	3333	394	10.6	3649	3331	318	8.7
MARIES	3017	2781	236	7.8	3034	2763	271	8.9	2632	2319	313	11.9
MARION/RALLS LMA	19471	18188	1283	6.6	19576	18214	1362	7.0	18425	17091	1334	7.2
MCDONALD	5920	5414	506	8.5	5883	5439	444	7.5	5660	5240	420	7.4
MERCER	1742	1661	81	4.6	1752	1678	74	4.2	1767	1703	64	3.6
MILLER	12037	11357	680	5.6	11649	10922	727	6.2	11085	10320	765	6.9
MISSISSIPPI	7122	6434	688	9.7	6907	6208	699	10.1	6585	5827	758	11.5
MONITEAU	4915	4551	364	7.4	4908	4485	423	8.6	4760	4392	368	7.7
MONROE	5260	4995	265	5.0	4980	4724	256	5.1	4947	4735	212	4.3
MONTGOMERY	5500	5074	426	7.7	5275	4860	415	7.9	5304	4954	350	6.6
MORGAN	6466	5941	525	8.1	6403	5854	549	8.6	6132	5633	499	8.1
NEW MADRID	11945	10934	1011	8.5	11831	107[illegible]	1072	9.1	11564	10657	907	7.8
NODAWAY	10739	10399	340	3.2	10746	10369	377	3.5	10094	9723	371	3.7
OREGON	3080	2791	289	9.4	2995	2600	395	13.2	3032	2696	336	11.1
OZARK	4678	4419	259	5.5	4741	4467	274	5.8	4504	4107	397	8.8
PEMISCOT	8607	7779	828	9.6	8580	7585	995	11.6	8648	7273	1375	15.9
PERRY	7737	7309	428	5.5	7757	7193	564	7.3	7313	6802	511	7.0
PETTIS	18019	16723	1296	7.2	18104	16358	1746	9.6	16357	15209	1148	7.0
PHELPS	15779	14969	810	5.1	15591	14683	908	5.8	14701	13824	877	6.0
PIKE	7021	6419	602	8.6	6760	6149	611	9.0	6781	6200	581	8.6
POLK	9234	8556	678	7.3	9123	8354	769	8.4	8328	7794	534	6.4
PULASKI	9721	9101	620	6.4	9586	8751	835	8.7	8931	8178	753	8.4
PUTNAM	2815	2708	107	3.8	2957	2794	163	5.5	2917	2742	175	6.0
RANDOLPH	12686	11862	824	6.5	12476	11602	874	7.0	11391	10739	652	5.7
REYNOLDS	2201	1876	325	14.8	2208	1836	372	16.8	2335	2031	304	13.0
RIPLEY	3419	3060	359	10.5	3323	2931	392	11.8	3062	2723	339	11.1
SALINE	14734	14119	615	4.2	15014	14210	804	5.4	13875	12470	1405	10.1
SCOTLAND	2551	2424	127	5.0	2466	2376	90	3.6	2407	2286	121	5.0
SCOTT	17828	16345	1483	8.3	17910	16209	1701	9.5	17010	15459	1551	9.1
SHANNON	2851	2469	382	13.4	2972	2528	444	14.9	3081	2720	361	11.7
SHELBY	3464	3344	120	3.5	3522	3360	162	4.6	3142	3011	131	4.2
ST. CLAIR	3881	3663	218	5.6	3877	3689	188	4.8	3736	3539	197	5.3
ST. FRANCOIS	20558	18558	2000	9.7	19821	17864	1957	9.9	20130	18189	1941	9.6
STE. GENEVIEVE	6456	6030	426	6.6	6490	5984	506	7.8	5767	5340	427	7.4
STODDARD	13337	12295	1042	7.8	13129	12017	1112	8.5	12281	11202	1079	8.8
STONE	10459	9869	590	5.6	10287	9544	743	7.2	8966	8437	529	5.9
SULLIVAN	3444	3208	236	6.9	3504	3238	266	7.6	3453	3255	198	5.7
TANEY	21200	20475	725	3.4	20530	19756	774	3.8	17253	16562	691	4.0
TEXAS	7807	6896	911	11.7	7681	6541	1140	14.8	7576	6675	901	11.9
VERNON	10019	9606	413	4.1	10007	9568	439	4.4	9329	8931	398	4.3
WARREN	7457	6891	566	7.6	7173	6774	399	5.6	6143	5780	363	5.9
WASHINGTON	4601	3699	902	19.6	4504	3635	869	19.3	4552	3700	852	18.7
WAYNE	4675	4151	524	11.2	4711	4206	505	10.7	4214	3681	533	12.6
WEBSTER	8345	7664	681	8.2	8501	7604	897	10.6	7357	6720	637	8.7
WORTH	1202	1150	52	4.3	1195	1161	34	2.8	1067	1010	57	5.3
WRIGHT	7248	6669	579	8.0	7105	6452	653	9.2	7198	6487	711	9.9

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
August, 1985

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2034.8	2029.8	2021.3									
Total Manufacturing	433.1	429.0	433.0	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA
Durable Goods	248.9	245.9	247.9	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA
Lumber & Wood Products	10.7	10.5	10.8	244.16	245.22	238.55	39.7	40.6	39.3	6.15	6.04	6.07
Furniture & Fixtures	11.1	11.1	11.0	309.40	302.73	322.18	42.5	41.3	42.9	7.28	7.33	7.51
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.8	10.7	11.4	412.09	443.04	418.97	39.7	41.6	41.4	10.38	10.65	10.12
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	0.9	541.36	536.45	543.10	39.4	39.1	40.2	13.74	13.72	13.51
Structural Clay Prod.	2.2	2.2	2.5	445.44	423.36	438.75	38.6	36.0	39.0	11.54	11.76	11.25
Primary Metal Industries	12.9	12.8	14.0	416.13	401.79	400.98	39.0	37.1	37.3	10.67	10.83	10.75
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.9	1.8	2.2	372.26	355.39	346.39	41.5	39.4	40.8	8.97	9.02	8.49
Nonferrous Foundries	3.1	3.2	3.0	347.16	286.72	346.83	44.0	36.6	42.4	7.89	7.67	8.18
Fabricated Metal Products	28.6	28.6	28.0	402.06	398.77	382.82	42.1	41.8	40.9	9.55	9.54	9.36
Fabricated Structural Metal Prod.	11.3	11.2	10.4	387.99	378.98	373.92	41.9	41.6	41.5	9.26	9.11	9.01
Machinery Exc. Electrical	31.7	31.8	32.8	410.18	403.81	390.65	41.1	40.3	39.7	9.98	10.02	9.84
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	52.1	51.3	51.2	388.10	361.00	358.99	41.2	38.0	40.2	9.42	9.50	8.93
Transportation Equipment	72.5	70.6	69.7	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	32.5	30.0	31.2	550.29	567.24	555.14	41.5	42.3	41.0	13.26	13.41	13.54
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.5	11.6	11.8	300.24	281.12	319.16	40.3	38.3	40.4	7.45	7.34	7.90
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.1	7.0	7.2	240.22	243.75	259.00	36.9	37.5	38.2	6.51	6.50	6.78
Nondurable Goods	184.1	183.1	185.1	340.02	337.12	329.55	39.4	39.2	39.0	8.63	8.60	8.45
Food & Kindred Products	45.0	44.6	44.6	395.35	389.21	398.26	40.8	40.5	41.1	9.69	9.61	9.69
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	12.1	11.7	11.4	268.03	266.74	267.92	39.3	39.4	39.4	6.82	6.77	6.80
Dairy Products	6.3	6.2	6.4	392.92	401.29	402.05	41.1	42.6	43.0	9.56	9.42	9.35
Grain Mill Products	7.1	7.0	7.1	437.93	411.06	442.80	42.6	40.3	43.2	10.28	10.20	10.25
Bakery Products	5.2	5.2	5.4	384.46	384.29	385.29	38.6	38.2	37.7	9.96	10.06	10.22
Beverages	10.3	10.4	10.1	603.32	602.76	609.19	40.6	41.2	42.1	14.86	14.63	14.47

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	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred	4.0	4.0	4.2	443.33	410.86	420.26	45.1	42.4	41.9	9.83	9.69	10.03
Textile & Apparel	24.4	23.0	26.1	201.66	192.58	192.58	36.4	35.4	36.2	5.54	5.44	5.32
Paper & Allied Products	13.6	13.7	13.1	383.57	379.49	367.11	41.2	40.2	40.7	9.31	9.44	9.02
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	7.1	7.0	6.7	380.48	385.28	369.96	41.0	40.9	40.7	9.28	9.42	9.09
Printing & Publishing	40.2	40.4	39.9	376.65	374.30	377.71	38.2	38.0	38.7	9.86	9.85	9.76
Commercial Printing	12.8	12.9	12.6	425.20	420.80	446.07	40.0	40.0	40.7	10.63	10.52	10.96
Chemicals & Allied	29.8	30.0	29.2	454.41	451.95	457.97	40.5	40.9	42.2	11.22	11.05	10.85
Leather & Leather Products	17.8	18.3	19.0	205.63	209.06	177.89	37.8	38.5	33.5	5.44	5.43	5.31
Footwear Exc. Rubber	14.4	14.8	15.3	199.50	204.29	171.86	37.5	38.4	33.5	5.32	5.32	5.13
Total Nonmanufacturing	1601.7	1600.8	1588.3									
Mining	6.5	6.6	5.9									
Construction	88.1	87.2	89.5									
Transportation & Public Util.	133.4	134.2	133.5									
Railroad Transportation	12.7	12.7	13.4									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	68.2	69.2	67.6									
Communications	52.5	52.4	52.5									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	491.1	489.0	486.7									
Wholesale Trade	130.3	130.8	131.6									
Retail Trade	360.8	358.2	355.1									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	117.2	117.4	115.2									
Services	451.2	450.0	442.9									
Government	314.3	316.5	314.7									
Federal Government	70.1	70.9	69.5									
State & Local Government	244.1	245.7	245.3									

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NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND LABOR MARKET CONDITIONS

Economic activity appears to have picked up some during the third quarter of the year following several months of sluggishness. The Commerce Department's "flash" estimate of gross national product shows overall economic growth to be taking place at a 2.8 percent annual rate in the third quarter, up from the previous quarter's 1.9 percent.

Various August data suggest that growth may have been accelerating within the quarter. After six months of being mired at 7.3 percent, the nation's unemployment rate fell in August. The new rate -- 7 percent -- is the lowest in more than five years. Both total civilian employment and nonfarm employment increased by about 300,000 over July's levels.

Other economic data also showed some improvement in the latter part of the summer. Industrial production increased in August after remaining unchanged in July, and retail sales increased sharply, led by growth in new car sales. At least part of the gain in sales might be temporary, owing to short-term sales incentives introduced by the auto makers.

OUTLOOK

The recent economic data suggest that the economy may tend to grow moderately in the upcoming months. There does seem to be some upward momentum in the economy, although this may be fairly fragile. Improved auto sales, for example, may be a temporary phehomenon, in effect borrowing strength from upcoming months.

Seasonal improvement should be strong in the Missouri labor markets in September, with no significant declines occurring before winter seasonal conditions drive employment down and unemployment up.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments Missouri — August, 1985

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,502,500	2,496,000	2,387,800	6,500	114,700
Total Employed	2,346,400	2,336,100	2,230,500	10,300	115,900
Total Unemployed	156,100	159,900	157,300	-3,800	-1,200
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	6.2	6.4	6.6	-0.2	-0.4
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Comestics (No. of Jobs)	2,034,800	2,029,800	2,021,300	5,000	13,500
Manufacturing	433,100	429,000	433,000	4,100	100
Durable Goods	248,900	245,900	247,900	3,000	1,000
Nondurable Goods	184,100	183,100	185,100	1,000	-1,000
Nonmanufacturing	1,601,700	1,600,800	1,588,300	900	13,400
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	8,129	8,769	8,396	-640	-267
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	43,969	41,785	43,599	2,184	370
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.3	2.3	2.4	0.0	-0.1
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	3,624	3,543	3,568	81	56
Amount of Benefits Paid	$15,613,157	$14,582,168	$13,036,040	$1,030,989	$2,577,117
State U.I.	15,298,268	14,315,791	12,733,750	982,477	2,564,518
UCFE	158,022	127,182	155,368	30,840	2,654
UCX	156,867	139,195	146,922	17,672	9,945

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

August, 1985

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The Kansas City Area's unemployment rate rose to 4.8 per cent in August 1985, up three-tenths of a point from the revised July rate of 4.5 per cent. The number of jobless workers was 37,300, an increase of 2400 over-the-month, but down by 3,200 compared to the August 1984 total of 40,500. Total civilian employment fell to 736,600 jobs in August, down by 3,000 from the 1985 peak of 739,600 reached in July 1985. Moderate increases in the seasonal industries, layoffs of temporary government workers and the temporary partial shutdown of an area automobile assembly plant for model retooling contributed to the first monthly decline in civilian employment that the Area has experienced in 1985. The total number of nonagricultural payroll jobs was also down over-the-month by 500 jobs. The civilian labor force at 773,900, also was down for the first month in 1985. The withdrawal of students and summer job seekers brought the labor force down by 600 from the July peak of 774,500. Compared to 1984 levels, civilian employment gained 35,000 and non-farm payrolls added 8,800, while civilian labor force grew by 31,800 over last year's level.

Wage and salaried employment in August 1985 was 675,800, down by 500 from the July 1985 total of 676,500. Overall, most industries showed very minor changes over-the-month. Manufacturing employment increased by 300 jobs during the period. Lumber and Furniture, Primary Metals, Food and Kindred and Printing and Publishing recorded slight increases, while Motor Vehicles posted a minor decline, as a result of the offsetting effects of one area auto assembly plant partially closing for retooling as another plant returned from a short-term layoff. All other manufacturing industries were stable over-the-month.

Among the Nonmanufacturing industries, employment changes were relatively slight. Retail Trade made the greatest advance with a moderate increase of 500 jobs, primarily in department stores and food stores. Construction made its smallest gain, since the January slump, with a modest 300 jobs spread among all types of construction. Seasonal losses in Government held total Nonmanufacturing jobs down by 600 jobs below last month's level. Federal Government lost 600 jobs, primarily among tax processors, while local schools accounted for a loss of 700 State and Local Government jobs over the period.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 8,800 from August 1984 to August 1985, with declines of 2,500 jobs in Durable Goods Manufacturing and gains of 1,000 jobs in Nondurable Goods Manufacturing and gains of 10,300 in Nonmanufacturing. The greatest over-the-year improvement occurred in Nonmanufacturing, spurred by growth in State and Local Government, Services and Construction. More than 3,600, or approximately 70 per cent, of the State and Local jobs added over last year's total were recorded in loacl schools. Another 1,400 jobs were gained in state and municipal governments. The second largest number of jobs gained was in Services with 1,600 jobs, concentrated in the business service, primarily in building, personnel and computer services. Another 800 jobs were posted in recreation services and 600 were recorded in the health field. The Construction industry, which added 1,700 jobs over-the-year, added 1,500 of these in special trades contracting. Continuing the trend set in the beginning of the year, most Nonmanufacturing industries showed higher employment levels in August 1985 compared to August 1984. Only Retail Trade lagged behind 1984 employment levels, although employment picked up over-the month. In August 1985 the Area had 900 fewer Retail jobs than in August 1984, with most to the sluggishness occurring in non-store retailing, eating and drinking and apparel stores. On an encouraging note, department stores and motor vehicle dealers showed higher employment levels.

Within the Manufacturing sector, jobs in Durable Goods Manufacturing fell below last year's levels for the second straight month. The timing of retooling in the Area's automobile assembly plants accounted for most of the apparent job loss. Less encouraging are the continuing losses of jobs in Machinery, which lost 700 jobs in the production of construction and material handling equipment, and Primary Metals, which, with a decline of 300 jobs, experienced its fourth consecutive month of lower 1985 employment levels that it had in 1984. All other Durable Goods Manufacturing industries showed gains. Fabricated Metals gained 600 jobs over-the-year and Electrical Equipment gained 700 jobs, as a result of jobs gained in communications equipment offsetting losses in electronics equipment.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 37,300 in August 1985, for 4.8 per cent of the labor force, compared to 34,900 in July 1985, for 4.5 per cent of the labor force and 40,500 in August 1984 for 5.5 per cent of the labor force.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT FORECAST

The area's labor market should regain in September 1985 many of the temporary losses sustained in August 1985. The unemployment rate is expected to fall with the opening of area schools. Schools reopening will push employment higher and contribute to further shrinking of the labor force. School transportation related employment will be up, but reported layoffs in the communications field will dampen overall growth in the combined Transportation, Communications and Utilities industry. The completion of model changeovers will add several hundred to the number of employed. Reports of favorable trends in Retail Sales are expected to gradually improve conditions in Retail Trade. Unemployment is expected to be 4.4 per cent of the labor force September 1985, compared to 4.8 per cent in August 1985, and 4.8 per cent in September 1984.

October 1985 will bring little change in the Area's labor market. Employment growth in State and Local Government, as a result of school employment reaching normal levels, will be offset to some extent by the decline in recreation related services employment. Very little activity is expected in the Manufacturing sector, while Retail Trade may show the slight lull which typically occurs in the interim period between back to school purchasing and Christmas season shopping. Unemployment is expected to be 4.5 per cent of the labor force in October 1985, compared to 5.0 per cent in October 1984.

Kansas City Area-
Missouri Job Service Statistics

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 36,066 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of August 1985. Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics	Per Cent
Age: Under 22	19.8
22-44	64.9
45 and over	15.3
Sex: Male	58.5
Female	41.5
Racial or Ethnic Group	
Black	34.8
Other Non-White	1.2
Hispanic	2.1
Miscellaneous Characteristics	Per Cent
Unemployment Insurance Claimants	39.8
Veterans	20.3
Handicapped	2.3

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated August 31, 1985.

Job Placements

During August 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 9,152 and job placements totaled 2,628. There were 1,578 veteran referrals in August 1985, with 317 veteran placements. During July 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 10.561 and job placements totaled 2,536. There were 1,396 veteran referrals in July 1985, with 301 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated August 31, 1985.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed in the Kansas City Area (Missouri Side Only)
August 1985

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	14.4	14.0	12.8
25-34	35.7	35.6	35.7
35-44	26.8	25.6	26.3
45-54	17.3	14.6	16.2
55-64	8.1	7.9	8.0
65 and over	0.7	1.4	1.0
Unreported	0.0	0.1	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	0.2
Mining	0.2
Construction	5.6
Manufacturing	39.7
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	6.9
Wholesale & Retail Trade	16.9
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	3.2
Services	23.7
All Other	3.6
Information not available	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	11.6
Clerical	16.4
Sales	3.5
Services	10.7
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	0.3
Processing	1.1
Machine Trades	4.9
Benchwork	5.3
Structural Work	10.4
Miscellaneous	12.5
Information not available	23.3

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 7,388; 4,256 were male and 3,132 were female.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1984)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current:** August, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	675,800	676,300	667,000	-500	+8,800
Total Manufacturing	118,300	118,000	119,800	+300	-1,500
Durable Goods	65,300	65,300	67,800	0	-2,500
Lumber & Furniture	3,500	3,400	3,400	+100	+100
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,900	3,900	3,800	0	+100
Primary Metal Industries	3,700	3,600	4,000	+100	-300
Fabricated Metal Products	10,000	10,000	9,400	0	+600
Machinery Except Electrical	7,700	7,700	8,400	0	-700
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	21,400	21,400	20,700	0	+700
Transportation Equipment	11,400	11,600	14,300	-200	-2,900
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(11,200)	(11,400)	(14,100)	(-200)	(-2,900)
Other Durable Goods	3,700	3,700	3,800	0	-100
Nondurable Goods	53,000	52,700	52,000	+300	+1,000
Food & Kindred Products	10,100	10,000	9,800	+100	+300
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,600	2,600	2,600	0	0
Paper & Allied Products	5,500	5,500	5,500	0	0
Printing & Publishing	20,200	20,100	20,000	+100	+200
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,900	8,900	8,600	0	+300
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	5,100	5,000	4,900	+100	+200
Total Nonmanufacturing	557,500	558,300	547,200	-800	+10,300
Mining & Quarrying	800	800	700	0	+100
Construction	31,100	30,800	29,400	+300	+1,700
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	51,500	51,500	51,200	0	+300
Wholesale & Retail Trade	171,500	171,200	172,300	+300	-800
Wholesale Trade	(53,800)	(54,000)	(53,700)	(-200)	(+100)
Retail Trade	(117,700)	(117,200)	(118,600)	(+500)	(-900)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	50,700	50,800	50,200	-100	+500
Services	152,800	152,800	149,800	0	+3,000
Government	99,100	100,400	93,600	-1,300	+5,500
Federal Government	(28,400)	(29,000)	(28,100)	(-600)	(+300)
State & Local Government	(70,700)	(71,400)	(65,500)	(-700)	(+5,200)
In Labor-Management Disputes	300	200	200	+100	+200

Prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data: August, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$425.97	$427.18	$424.26	40.3	4039	40.1	$10.57	$10.60	$10.58
Durable Goods	445.36	451.60	444.31	39.8	40.0	39.6	11.19	11.29	11.22
Lumber & Furniture	319.06	300.23	319.95	40.8	38.1	40.5	7.82	7.88	7.90
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	512.21	531.48	524.70	40.3	41.2	39.6	12.71	12.90	13.25
Primary Metal Industries	416.13	413.14	417.14	37.3	36.6	38.2	11.21	11.29	10.92
Fabricated Metal Products	386.37	394.69	364.85	40.5	40.9	39.7	9.54	9.65	9.19
Machinery Exc. Electrical	410.00	411.60	410.30	40.0	40.0	39.3	10.25	10.29	10.44
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	461.22	463.90	454.78	40.6	40.8	41.8	11.36	11.37	10.88
Transportation Equipment	548.63	564.60	538.08	38.5	39.84	39.0	14.25	14.33	14.16
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(552.48)	(569.54)	(541.50)	(38.5)	(39.4)	(38.0)	(14.35)	(14.43)	(14.25)
Other Durable Goods	269.43	258.82	238.14	38.6	38.4	37.6	6.98	6.74	6.36
Nondurable Goods	394.42	390.60	388.96	41.0	40.9	40.9	9.62	9.55	9.51
Food & Kindred Products	431.86	428.00	443.94	43.1	42.8	42.2	10.02	10.00	10.52
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	214.70	107.69	189.66	36.7	34.5	34.8	5.85	6.02	5.45
*Paper & Allied Products	370.36	388.22	367.61	40.3	41.3	40.8	9.19	9.40	9.01
Printing & Publishing	405.27	393.23	414.18	39.5	39.6	39.0	10.26	9.93	10.62
Chemicals & Allied Products	508.30	497.01	472.06	44.2	44.1	44.2	11.50	11.27	11.68
Petroleum & Coal Products	369.52	367.46	384.39	37.1	36.6	41.6	9.96	10.04	9.24
Other Nondurable Goods	290.56	291.13	283.84	40.3	40.1	42.3	7.21	7.26	6.71

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

August, 1985

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate, 7.5%, was unchanged over the month. Unemployment in August stood at 90,500, a decrease of 200 from July. Total employment declined by 4800 over the month to a level of 1,120,000. The decrease in employment was mainly caused by a temporary model change-over layoff of 2700 automobile assembly workers during August. The labor dispute involving 800 workers in the transportation industry had little affect on the total labor market. All other industries recorded small or seasonal changes. Over the year, unemployment has declined by only 100 while employment rose by 36,200. The unemployment rate in August, 1984 was 7.7%. The non-manufacturing sectors continue to be responsible for the majority of employment increases since 1984. There were 900 labor disputants in August, 100 in July, and 2100 in August, 1984.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment declined by 1600 over the month. Motor vehicles declined 1100 because of the previously mentioned temporary layoff. A seasonal decline of 600 occurred in the aircraft industry while primary metals registered its first 1985 month-to-month improvement, up 400. Over the year, manufacturing has declined by 2100. The only two industries recording significant employment gains were lumber and aircraft. The nondurable goods sector continues to be responsible for the majority of job declines.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing employment declined by 1400 over the month. A strike affecting 800 automobile transit workers caused the job decrease in transportation. State and local government declined seasonally while small gains were reported in construction and service. Over the year, nonmanufacturing has added 13,200 workers. The service industry registered 7,600 increase, the largest number of jobs added by one industry. Other significant gains occurred in trade, finance, and federal government.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

State UI continued claimants in the MSA were up 1700 in August from July. In the Missouri portion of the MSA they were up 1900 and in the Illinois portion they were down 200.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
INA	3	4	3	9
Agriculture	24	28	27	22
Mining	19	19	28	27
Constructin	1239	1471	1014	919
Manufacturing Total	4856	4654	3456	5869
Food	353	336	313	290
Textile	24	18	23	22
Apparel	377	212	215	184
Lumber	19	31	35	23
Furniture	94	90	97	120
Paper	133	107	84	85
Printing	167	171	179	131
Chemicals	144	215	218	277
Petroleum	19	16	15	12
Rubber	155	138	120	123
Leather	360	330	297	234
Stone	77	78	49	44
Primary Metal	178	182	151	137
Fabricated Metal	529	449	431	403
Machinery	107	107	95	90
Electrtical Machinery	256	369	220	276
Transportation Equip.	1194	1107	333	2844
Instruments	30	25	11	17
Miscellaneous	638	670	564	554
Public Utilities	672	862	950	923
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2150	2172	2164	2051
Finance	272	310	358	321
Services	5278	5262	5788	5282
All Other	237	217	259	251
TOTAL	14750	14999	14047	15674

Of the 15,674 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in August, 1985, 59.5 percent were male and 40.5 percent were female.

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1607	1590	1928	1542
Clerical	2147	2250	2337	2209
Sales	590	615	618	551
Farm, Fish & Forest	83	77	76	70
Processing	304	272	255	219
Machine Trades	1243	1206	1030	1009
Bench Work	950	860	819	755
Structural Work	1486	1474	1247	1580
Misc. Work	1750	1822	1795	1729
Domestic	33	29	38	40
Other Services	2212	2193	2249	2049
INA	2345	2611	1655	3621
TOTAL	14750	14999	14047	15674

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning August 1, 1985 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	22	Min.	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	41.4	18.3	17.6	39.8	2.1
Placements, %	39.2	13.6	34.3	47.2	2.0

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1986 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	3.7	1.3
Clerical	16.4	12.3
Sales	17.6	21.4
Processing	1.5	2.1
Machine Trades	5.0	4.1
Bench Work	4.2	5.2
Structural Work	11.0	14.2
Motor Freight & Trans.	4.5	3.0
Packaging & Material Handling	8.4	1103
Domestic	0.9	0.7
Other Services	25.6	23.4
Other Occupations	1.2	1.3

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in September, 1985 is expected to be 7.0% and in October, 6.9%.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area

Month and Year of Current: August, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,058,400	1,061,400	1,047,300	-3,000	+11,100
Percent Change				-(0.3)	+(1.1)
Manufacturing	228,200	229,800	230,300	-1,600	-2,100
Durable Goods	144,800	146,300	144,900	-1,500	-100
Lumber & Furniture	5,300	5,300	4,700	0	+600
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,600	3,500	3,800	+100	-200
Primary Metal Industries	14,800	14,400	15,900	+400	-1,100
Fabricated Metal Products	17,200	17,400	17,500	-200	-300
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,700	18,800	18,800	-100	-100
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,200	15,200	14,900	0	+300
Transportation Equipment	56,700	58,400	56,100	1,700	+600
Motor Vehicles	19,000	20,100	19,100	-1,100	-100
Aircraft & Parts	37,000	37,600	35,800	-600	+1,200
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	13,300	13,300	13,200	0	+100
Nondurable Goods	83,400	83,500	85,400	-100	-2,000
Food & Kindred Products	21,600	21,500	22,000	+100	-400
Meat Products	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	0
Beverages	8,600	8,600	8,700	0	0
Textiles & Apparel	6,700	6,600	7,000	+100	-300
Paper & Paper Products	5,800	5,900	5,900	-100	-100
Printing & Publishing	16,600	16,600	16,600	-100	+100
Chemical & Allied Products	20,700	20,800	20,800	-100	100
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,500	2,500	2,400	0	+1000
Leather & Leather Products	4,500	4,600	5,300	-100	-800
Other Nondurable Goods	5,000	5,000	5,400	0	-400
Nonmanufacturing	830,200	831,600	817,000	-1,400	+13,200
Mining	3,600	3,600	3,800	0	-200
Construction	52,400	51,800	53,000	+600	-600
Transportation & Public Utilities	72,700	73,600	73,600	-900	-900
Railroads	7,100	7,100	7,700	0	-600
Transportation, Except Railroads	38,000	38,900	38,600	-900	-600
Communications & Public Utilities	27,600	27,600	27,300	0	+300
Wholesale & Retail Trade	252,200	252,500	247,000	-300	+5,200
Wholesale Trade	65,000	65,500	65,100	-400	-100
Retail Trade	187,200	187,100	181,900	+100	+5,300
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	65,000	65,000	63,100	0	+1,900
Service, Except Domestic	255,300	255,000	247,700	+300	+7,600
Total Government	129,000	130,100	128,800	-1,100	+200
Total Federal Government	39,000	39,100	37,800	-100	+1,200
Total State & Local Government	90,000	91,800	91,000	-1,000	-1,000
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	900	100	2,100	+800	-1,200

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: St. Louis Metropolitan Area **Month and Year of Current Data: August, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	INA	INA	$433.79	INA	INA	39.4	INA	INA	$11.01
Durable Goods	INA	INA	446.45	INA	INA	39.3	INA	INA	11.36
Lumber & Furniture	357.34	346.98	327.64	41.6	40.3	40.3	8.59	8.61	8.13
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	398.52	451.41	426.22	36.9	41.3	41.3	10.80	10.93	10.32
Primary Metal Industries	481.85	480.30	428.34	40.8	40.6	36.3	11.81	11.83	11.80
Fabricated Metal Products	435.74	420.86	407.79	42.1	41.1	39.4	10.35	10.24	10.35
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	431.03	429.46	427.57	39.8	39.4	39.7	10.83	10.90	10.77
Elect & Electronic Equip.	316.80	323.83	308.85	39.6	39.3	38.8	8.00	8.24	7.96
Transportation Equipment	INA	INA	569.57	INA	INA	40.8	INA	INA	13.96
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	299.89	293.75	280.86	38.3	38.1	37.2	7.83	7.71	7.55
Nondurable Goods	419.36	410.42	410.41	39.6	39.2	39.5	10.59	10.47	10.39
Food & Kindred Products	494.03	481.32	515.34	40.1	39.1	41.3	12.32	12.31	12.72
Textiles & Apparel	204.05	194.81	198.80	35.0	33.3	34.1	5.83	5.85	5.83
Paper & Paper Products	454.71	426.94	423.27	43.1	40.7	42.2	10.55	10.49	10.03
Printing & Publishing	401.19	399.36	401.86	38.1	38.4	38.2	10.53	10.40	10.52
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	492.89	478.25	453.58	41.7	41.3	40.9	11.82	11.58	11.09
Petroleum & Coal Products	629.26	618.98	593.89	43.1	42.6	42.3	14.60	14.53	14.04
Leather & Leather Products	203.55	204.14	179.09	35.4	38.3	33.6	5.75	5.33	5.33
Other Nondurable Goods	309.68	322.75	319.66	39.3	40.7	41.3	7.88	7.93	7.74

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

August, 1985

Lloyd Banwart, Analyst

Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA labor force increased 900 from July to reach 121,200 in August. This change is the net result of a 1,200 gain in employment and a 300 decrease in unemployment. The number of unemployed persons fell from 5,900 in July to 5,600 in August. The rate of unemployment decreased three-tenths of a percentage point from July to 4.6 percent in August.

During August 1984, 5,600 were jobless and the rate of unemployment was calculated at 4.8 percent.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Total nonagricultural wage and salaried employment increased from 93,800 in July to 95,200 in August.

Manufacturing employment, estimated at 18,900 for August, remains at the July level. A gain of 100 jobs in the nondurable segment was off-set by a corresponding drop in durable goods manufacturing. During August 1984, manufacturing jobs totaled 20,400.

Nonmanufacturing employment rose from 74,900 in July to 76,300 in August. Nonmanufacturing industries recording significant changes in employment levels since July include: construction, up 200; trade, up 300; and services, up 900. The substantial jump in services mostly reflects seasonal employment changes at private educational institutions.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers fell from $8.89 in July to $8.80 in August. Most of this drop results from an increase in the proportion of lower paid workers. Average weekly hours rose from 38.2 in July to 38.4 in August.

During August 1984, hourly wages averaged $8.28 and the factory work week averaged 39.0 hours.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri | **Month and Year of Current: August, 1985**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	95,200	93,800	94,700	+1,400	500
Manufacturing	18,900	18,900	20,400	0	-1,500
Durable Goods	9,600	9,700	10,900	-100	-1,300
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	1,000	900	900	+100	+100
Other Durable Goods	8,600	8,800	10,000	-200	-1,400
Nondurable Goods	9,300	9,200	9,500	+100	-200
Food Processing	3,900	3,800	3,900	+100	0
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,800	3,800	4,000	0	-200
Nonmanufacturing	76,300	74,900	74,300	+1,400	+2,000
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	4,200	4,000	3,700	+200	+500
Transportation & Utilities	5,900	5,900	6,100	0	-200
Trade	27,100	26,800	26,700	+300	+400
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,400	4,400	4,400	0	0
Services	23,800	22,900	22,700	+900	1,100
Government	10,800	10,800	10,600	0	+200
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	9,100	9,100	8,900	0	+200
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Overall nonagricultural wage and salaried employment is expected to show a moderate rise in September. Most of the increase will be due to seasonal influences including school openings for the fall term.

The number of unemployed workers will more than likely show a slight decrease in September. It would appear the rate of unemployment will dip about two-tenths of a percentage point to 4.4 percent of the labor force.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: July, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$337.92	$339.60	$322.92	38.4	38.2	39.0	$8.80	$8.89	$8.28
Durable Goods	329.28	332.50	312.04	38.2	38.0	39.3	8.62	8.75	7.94
Nondurable Goods	349.85	347.66	338.80	38.7	38.5	38.5	9.04	9.03	8.80
Food & Kindred Products	380.65	372.78	369.34	39.9	39.7	39.8	9.54	9.39	9.28
Other Nondurable Goods	333.26	345.42	322.43	38.0	37.9	37.8	8.77	8.85	8.53

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MISSOURI AREA LABOR TRENDS

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS – DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

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Missouri Labor Market Review

Bill Niblack, Labor Economist **Amy Miller, Analyst** **Data Month: September, 1985**

The Missouri unemployment rate dropped in September to its lowest level in nearly six years, while total employment continued the growth it has displayed all year.

Unemployment in Missouri decreased by 15,300 between August and September to 142,300, as the unemployment rate dropped from 6.3 to 5.7 percent, the lowest rate since December 1979.

Total employment continued to climb in September, reaching a new high level of 2,365,100. This represented increases of 21,900 from the previous month and 115,600 from the year-earlier level.

Nonfarm payroll employment was up by 18,500 from the August level to 2,049,800 in September, as the fall opening of public schools pushed state and local government employment up by 22,000 to 265,600 jobs. Manufacturing employment increased by 1600 jobs, primarily because of the end of some model changeover layoffs in the auto industry. Construction, trade, and the service industries experienced small seasonal drops in employment. Compared to a year ago, the payroll employment estimate lags far behind the growth displayed by total (household) employment, having grown by only 9100 jobs.

NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND LABOR MARKET CONDITIONS

Economic growth accelerated in the third quarter, seemingly confirming the pickup in economic activity that

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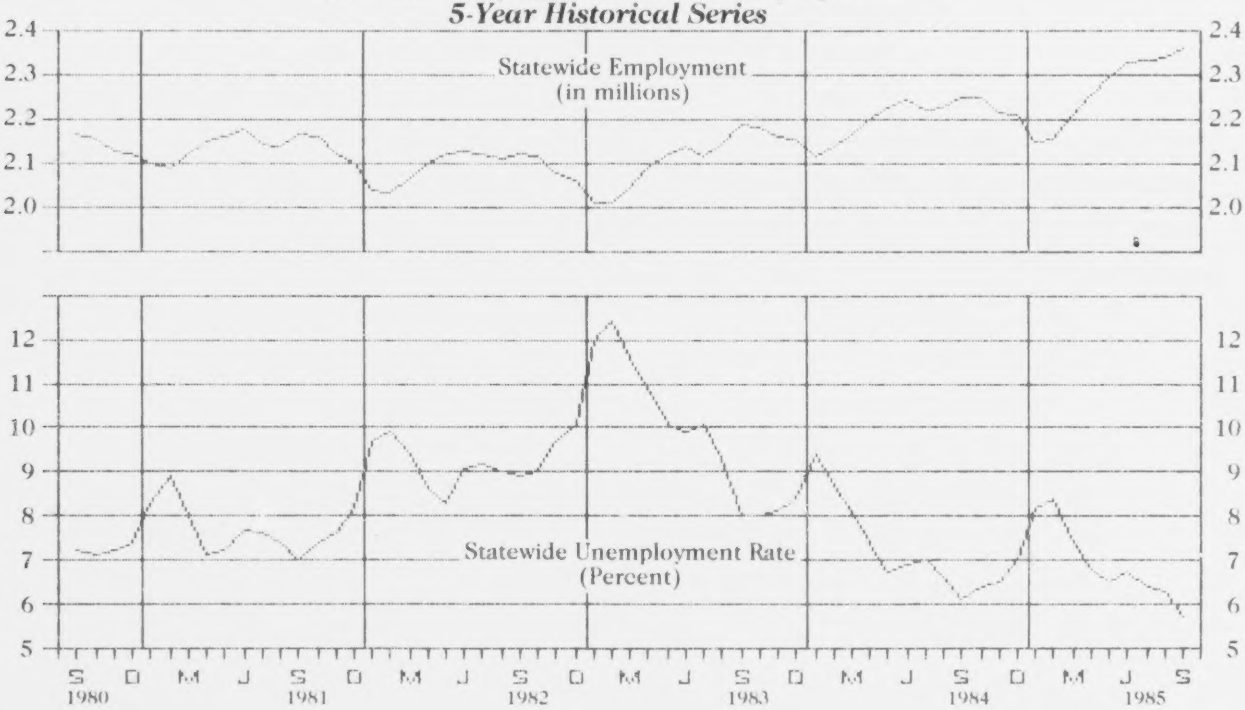

Table 1

MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - SEP 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - AUG 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - SEP 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2507404	2365085	142319	5.7	2500841	2343193	157648	6.3	2396449	2249458	146991	6.1
ST. LOUIS MSA	1196761	1114449	82312	6.9	1207457	1115222	92235	7.6	1168600	1082801	85799	7.3
KANSAS CITY MSA	763381	731141	32240	4.2	774079	736806	37273	4.8	737485	702091	35394	4.8
SPRINGFIELD MSA	121387	115937	5450	4.5	120277	114682	5595	4.7	118945	113272	5673	4.8
COLUMBIA MSA	65170	62879	2291	3.5	62823	60565	2258	3.6	59891	57738	2153	3.6
JOPLIN MSA	64426	60709	3717	5.8	63311	59496	3815	6.0	58423	54933	3490	6.0
ST. JOSEPH MSA	41595	38840	2755	6.6	42346	39363	2983	7.0	42617	39215	3402	8.0
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	16204	15570	634	3.9	15702	14926	776	4.9	15828	15045	783	4.9
ANDREW	6849	6583	266	3.9	6607	6274	333	5.0	6545	6162	383	5.9
ATCHISON	4455	4279	176	4.0	4159	3963	196	4.7	4456	4150	306	6.9
AUDRAIN	11638	10899	739	6.3	11375	10559	816	7.2	11276	10592	684	6.1
BARRY	12981	12311	670	5.2	12814	12126	688	5.4	11583	11013	570	4.9
BARTON	5374	5220	154	2.9	5358	5170	188	3.5	5100	4964	136	2.7
BATES	8151	7780	371	4.6	7859	7500	359	4.6	7796	7451	345	4.4
BENTON	6065	5707	358	5.9	5944	5623	321	5.4	5591	5262	329	5.9
BOLLINGER	3171	2828	343	10.8	3104	2675	429	13.8	3135	2762	373	11.9
BUTLER	18107	16772	1335	7.4	17384	15905	1479	8.5	16832	15502	1330	7.9
CALDWELL	3726	3532	194	5.2	3474	3313	161	4.6	3775	3597	178	4.7
CALLAWAY	19659	18632	1027	5.2	19404	18200	1204	6.2	18710	17404	1306	7.0
CAMDEN	17134	16401	733	4.3	17698	17049	649	3.7	13878	13219	659	4.7
CAPE GIRARDEAU	34684	33268	1416	4.1	32438	31035	1403	4.3	31233	29690	1543	4.9
CARROLL	4880	4653	227	4.7	4785	4539	246	5.1	4732	4480	252	5.3
CARTER	3175	2828	347	10.9	3033	2681	352	11.6	2698	2390	308	11.4
CEDAR	4764	4399	365	7.7	4736	4328	408	8.6	4513	4221	292	6.5
CHARITON	5494	5157	337	6.1	5235	4925	310	5.9	5162	4839	323	6.3
CLARK	3761	3531	230	6.1	3564	3324	240	6.7	3346	3149	197	5.9
CLINTON	7649	7324	325	4.2	7616	7173	445	5.8	7497	7131	366	4.9
COLE/OSAGE LMA	39926	38003	1923	4.8	39882	37761	2121	5.3	37131	34806	2325	6.3
COOPER	7670	7291	379	4.9	7230	6778	452	6.3	7177	6832	345	4.8
CRAWFORD	8075	7546	529	6.6	8109	7551	558	6.9	7467	6939	528	7.1
DADE	4097	3915	182	4.4	3924	3740	184	4.7	3949	3821	128	3.2
DALLAS	5198	4848	350	6.7	5156	4797	359	7.0	4750	4454	296	6.2
DAVIESS	3356	3203	153	4.6	3292	3101	191	5.8	3150	2989	161	5.1
DEKALB	3910	3747	163	4.2	3825	3634	191	5.0	3413	3252	161	4.7
DENT	6525	6045	480	7.4	6472	5999	473	7.3	5951	5358	593	10.0
DOUGLAS	4983	4449	534	10.7	4948	4419	529	10.7	4683	4201	482	10.3
DUNKLIN	13793	12538	1255	9.1	13152	11854	1298	9.9	13568	12369	1199	8.8
GASCONADE	7562	7294	268	3.5	7472	7076	396	5.3	7221	6754	467	6.5
GENTRY	4289	4187	102	2.4	4286	4162	124	2.9	4025	3887	138	3.4
GRUNDY	5621	5302	319	5.7	5385	5020	365	6.8	5202	4921	281	5.4
HARRISON	5629	5399	230	4.1	5420	5211	209	3.9	5226	5006	220	4.2
HENRY	10545	9883	662	6.3	10225	9546	679	6.6	9817	9380	437	4.5
HICKORY	2991	2835	156	5.2	2811	2640	171	6.1	2547	2404	143	5.6
HOLT	3782	3695	87	2.3	3666	3526	140	3.8	3625	3467	158	4.4
HOWARD	5142	4868	274	5.3	5019	4631	388	7.7	4628	4431	197	4.3
HOWELL	13778	12778	1000	7.3	13722	12479	1243	9.1	13289	12092	1197	9.0
IRON	3800	3319	481	12.7	3828	3308	520	13.6	4472	3630	842	18.8
JOHNSON	17655	17121	534	3.0	16019	15378	641	4.0	16182	15641	541	3.3
KNOX	2453	2322	131	5.3	2435	2283	152	6.2	2451	2281	170	6.9
LACLEDE	12618	11628	990	7.8	12286	11141	1145	9.3	11170	10385	785	7.0
LAWRENCE	13581	12738	843	6.2	13241	12362	879	6.6	12267	11511	756	6.2

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	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	6283	5794	489	7.8	6027	5549	478	7.9	5582	5170	412	7.4
LINCOLN	11858	11129	729	6.1	11960	10803	1157	9.7	10362	9643	719	6.9
LINN	8074	7466	608	7.5	7883	7332	551	7.0	7709	7089	620	8.0
LIVINGSTON	7093	6769	324	4.6	6850	6483	367	5.4	6746	6297	449	6.7
MACON	8032	6940	1092	13.6	7396	6905	491	6.6	7103	6679	424	6.0
MADISON	3855	3549	306	7.9	3751	3407	344	9.2	3753	3403	350	9.3
MARIES	3327	3109	218	6.6	3017	2784	233	7.7	2588	2301	287	11.1
MARION/RALLS LMA	19428	18002	1426	7.3	19426	18137	1289	6.6	18474	17158	1316	7.1
MCDONALD	6117	5644	473	7.7	5893	5497	396	6.7	5859	5476	383	6.5
MERCER	1839	1736	103	5.6	1753	1663	90	5.1	1904	1838	66	3.5
MILLER	11808	11118	690	5.8	12059	11369	690	5.7	10844	10104	740	6.8
MISSISSIPPI	7242	6536	706	9.7	7128	6441	687	9.6	6668	6031	637	9.6
MONITEAU	5103	4753	350	6.9	4921	4556	365	7.4	4933	4531	402	8.1
MONROE	5060	4861	199	3.9	5000	4729	271	5.4	4956	4743	213	4.3
MONTGOMERY	5544	5127	417	7.5	5531	5079	452	8.2	5237	4933	304	5.8
MORGAN	6408	5877	531	8.3	6474	5947	527	8.1	6142	5656	486	7.9
NEW MADRID	12274	11389	885	7.2	11970	10946	1024	8.6	11853	11036	817	6.9
NODAWAY	11593	11186	407	3.5	10752	10411	341	3.2	10535	10214	321	3.0
OREGON	3125	2897	228	7.3	3084	2794	290	9.4	3128	2824	304	9.7
OZARK	4624	4353	271	5.9	4693	4424	269	5.7	4488	4180	308	6.9
PEMISCOT	8988	8278	710	7.9	8623	7788	835	9.7	8570	7686	884	10.3
PERRY	7759	7340	419	5.4	7748	7317	431	5.6	7157	6738	419	5.9
PETTIS	18517	17313	1204	6.5	18046	16741	1305	7.2	16865	15727	1138	6.7
PHELPS	16424	15616	808	4.9	15800	14986	814	5.2	15670	14766	904	5.8
PIKE	7304	6744	560	7.7	7047	6426	621	8.8	7170	6514	656	9.1
POLK	9751	9069	682	7.0	9253	8566	687	7.4	8731	8245	486	5.6
PULASKI	9839	9207	632	6.4	9737	9111	626	6.4	8898	8296	602	6.6
PUTNAM	2909	2832	77	2.6	2823	2710	113	4.0	3064	2914	150	4.9
RANDOLPH	12910	12095	815	6.3	12705	11875	830	6.5	11381	10772	609	5.4
REYNOLDS	2195	1883	312	14.2	2211	1878	333	15.1	2362	2063	299	12.7
RIPLEY	3663	3298	365	10.0	3431	3064	367	10.7	3251	2932	319	9.8
SALINE	14883	14259	624	4.2	14752	14135	617	4.2	13757	13103	654	4.8
SCOTLAND	2647	2565	82	3.1	2554	2427	127	5.0	2467	2361	106	4.3
SCOTT	18416	16995	1421	7.7	17865	16363	1502	8.4	17476	16082	1394	8.0
SHANNON	2708	2352	356	13.1	2717	2334	383	14.1	3107	2757	350	11.3
SHELBY	3659	3508	151	4.1	3472	3348	124	3.6	3386	3243	143	4.2
ST. CLAIR	4093	3914	179	4.4	3886	3667	219	5.6	3923	3731	192	4.9
ST. FRANCOIS	20334	18489	1845	9.1	20474	18453	2021	9.9	20364	18449	1915	9.4
STE. GENEVIEVE	6577	6124	453	6.9	6469	6037	432	6.7	5687	5299	388	6.8
STODDARD	13714	12820	894	6.5	13356	12309	1047	7.8	12676	11588	1088	8.6
STONE	10074	9479	595	5.9	10478	9879	599	5.7	8525	8011	514	6.0
SULLIVAN	3580	3378	202	5.6	3450	3212	238	6.9	3503	3332	171	4.9
TANEY	19482	18797	685	3.5	21236	20497	739	3.5	16268	15577	691	4.2
TEXAS	8042	7265	777	9.7	7820	6903	917	11.7	7947	6948	999	12.6
VERNON	10141	9799	342	3.4	10035	9617	418	4.2	9468	9063	405	4.3
WARREN	7699	7290	409	5.3	7515	6898	617	8.2	6467	6048	419	6.5
WASHINGTON	4797	3977	820	17.1	4631	3703	928	20.0	4572	3789	783	17.1
WAYNE	4565	4092	473	10.4	4679	4155	524	11.2	4258	3755	503	11.8
WEBSTER	9143	8314	829	9.1	8359	7672	687	8.2	7748	7176	572	7.4
WORTH	1289	1269	20	1.6	1205	1151	54	4.5	1175	1123	52	4.4
WRIGHT	7912	7168	744	9.4	7257	6676	581	8.0	7569	6887	682	9.0

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
September, 1985

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2049.8	2031.3	2040.7									
Total Manufacturing	430.1	428.5	435.0	INA	INA	381.38	INA	INA	40.4	INA	INA	9.44
Durable Goods	246.5	244.4	250.2	INA	INA	417.54	INA	INA	41.2	INA	INA	10.11
Lumber & Wood Products	10.9	10.7	10.8	252.34	244.37	240.34	40.7	39.8	39.4	6.20	6.14	6.10
Furniture & Fixtures	11.1	11.2	10.8	316.52	312.44	333.96	43.3	42.8	44.0	7.31	7.30	7.59
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.6	10.7	11.2	420.03	413.52	413.70	39.7	39.8	40.4	10.58	10.39	10.24
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	0.8	555.61	553.60	621.19	39.8	40.0	42.9	13.96	13.84	14.48
Structural Clay Prod.	2.2	2.2	2.4	454.71	445.44	457.20	38.5	38.6	40.0	11.78	11.54	11.43
Primary Metal Industries	12.6	12.8	13.9	432.54	431.58	415.94	40.5	40.6	38.2	10.68	10.63	10.86
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.9	1.9	2.2	370.23	372.26	344.40	41.0	41.5	40.0	9.03	8.97	8.61
Nonferrous Foundries	3.1	3.1	3.0	316.79	247.16	347.71	40.1	44.0	42.3	7.90	7.89	8.22
Fabricated Metal Products	28.6	28.6	28.2	399.78	400.03	378.10	41.6	41.8	40.7	9.61	9.57	9.29
Fabricated Structural Metal Prod.	11.3	11.2	10.7	382.44	386.23	356.00	41.3	41.8	40.0	9.26	9.24	8.90
Machinery Exc. Electrical	31.9	31.7	32.1	406.62	408.36	398.40	40.5	41.0	40.0	10.40	9.96	9.96
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	51.7	52.3	51.4	387.19	383.80	370.60	40.8	40.7	41.5	9.49	9.43	8.93
Transportation Equipment	70.7	67.9	72.6	INA	INA	575.49	INA	INA	43.2	INA	INA	13.09
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	30.6	27.9	34.2	600.06	532.84	586.49	42.8	36.1	44.6	14.02	14.76	13.15
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.4	11.5	11.8	295.11	300.98	321.60	39.4	40.4	40.2	7.49	7.45	8.00
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.1	7.1	7.2	241.61	239.20	263.84	37.0	36.8	38.8	6.53	6.50	6.80
Nondurable Goods	183.6	184.1	184.8	346.26	337.74	335.23	39.8	39.0	39.3	8.70	8.66	8.53
Food & Kindred Products	45.1	45.1	44.8	406.27	393.82	396.73	42.1	40.6	40.9	9.65	9.70	9.70
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	12.4	12.1	11.6	277.85	261.80	277.38	40.8	38.5	39.4	6.81	6.80	7.04
Dairy Products	6.3	6.3	6.4	432.90	393.33	396.35	44.4	41.1	42.3	9.75	9.57	9.37
Grain Mill Products	7.1	7.1	7.0	480.15	438.96	452.32	45.0	42.7	44.0	10.67	10.28	10.28
Bakery Products	5.2	5.3	5.5	369.74	386.84	383.67	38.0	38.8	37.8	9.73	9.97	10.15
Beverages	10.2	10.3	10.1	608.47	602.24	600.06	40.7	40.5	41.1	14.95	14.87	14.60

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Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred	3.9	4.0	4.2	410.66	442.51	400.44	44.3	45.2	41.8	9.27	9.79	9.58
Textile & Apparel	24.1	24.4	25.8	202.95	200.74	194.55	36.7	36.3	36.5	5.53	5.53	5.33
Paper & Allied Products	13.4	13.6	13.0	387.73	382.53	374.01	40.9	41.0	41.1	9.48	9.33	9.10
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	6.9	7.0	6.8	383.13	378.39	375.55	40.5	40.6	40.6	9.46	9.32	9.25
Printing & Publishing	39.9	40.1	39.9	388.44	378.40	382.79	39.0	38.3	39.1	9.96	9.88	9.79
Commercial Printing	12.8	12.7	12.7	442.90	430.11	462.09	41.2	40.5	42.2	10.75	10.62	10.95
Chemicals & Allied	29.8	29.8	28.9	466.58	457.73	475.25	41.0	40.4	42.7	11.38	11.33	11.15
Leather & Leather Products	17.9	17.9	19.0	202.91	194.94	182.13	37.3	36.1	34.3	5.44	5.40	5.31
Footwear Exc. Rubber	14.4	14.5	15.2	195.94	188.48	175.54	36.9	35.9	33.5	5.31	5.25	5.24
Total Nonmanufacturing	IND	IND	1605.8									
Mining	6.6	6.5	6.0									
Construction	86.7	88.0	88.3									
Transportation & Public Util.	133.7	133.4	135.0									
Railroad Transportation	12.6	12.6	13.4									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	68.9	68.3	69.5									
Communications	52.2	52.5	52.2									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	491.8	492.7	486.8									
Wholesale Trade	130.0	130.3	131.6									
Retail Trade	361.8	362.3	355.2									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	116.0	117.2	114.3									
Services	449.3	451.4	440.7									
Government	335.7	313.7	334.7									
Federal Government	70.0	70.1	68.8									
State & Local Government	265.6	243.6	265.8									

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INA - Information Not Available

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had been suggested by earlier data. The nation's production of goods and services increased at a 3.3 percent annual rate in the third quarter, after the subpar rate of 1.1 percent experienced in the first half of the year.

The national unemployment rate edged up a tenth of a percentage point in September. This increase -- to 7.1 percent -- is not considered statistically significant. The September figure is still two-tenths of a percentage point below the 7.3 percent that had prevailed from February to July. Total employment increased by about 370,000 between August and September, on a seasonally adjusted basis, and has grown by 2.1 million over the past year. Although payroll employment has grown by 2.9 million during the 12 months ended in September, there was little change between August and September. Gains in the nonmanufacturing industries offset manufacturing job losses totalling 110,000.

OUTLOOK

The recent upturn in the economy seems to suggest some additional strength for the rest of the year and reduces the possibility of a recession in the near future. Still, the second quarter's growth rate is probably not much more than sufficient to maintain employment at its present levels, so big changes in employment and unemployment should not be expected.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments Missouri — August, 1985

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,507,400	2,500,800	2,396,400	6,600	111,000
Total Employed	2,365,100	2,343,200	2,249,500	21,900	115,600
Total Unemployed	142,300	157,600	147,000	-15,300	-4,700
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	5.7	6.3	6.1	-0.6	-0.4
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Comestics (No. of Jobs)	2,049,800	2,031,300	2,040,700	18,500	9,100
Manufacturing	430,100	428,500	435,000	1,600	-4,900
Durable Goods	246,500	244,400	250,200	2,100	-3,700
Nondurable Goods	183,600	184,100	184,800	-500	-1,200
Nonmanufacturing	1,619,800	1,602,900	1,605,800	16,900	14,000
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	6,471	8,129	5,676	-1,658	795
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	35,829	43,969	32,172	-8,140	3,657
Insured Unemployment Rate	1.9	2.3	1.9	-0.4	0.0
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	3,716	3,624	2,823	-908	-107
Amount of Benefits Paid	$12,518,384	$15,613,157	$10,160,269	$3,094,772	$2,358,115
State U.I.	12,251,634	15,298,268	2,915,859	-3,046,634	2,335,775
UCFE	135,817	158,022	121,755	-22,205	14,062
UCX	130,933	156,867	122,655	-25,934	8,278

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

September, 1985

Franciena King, Analyst

The Kansas City Metropolitan Area's unemployment rate fell to 4.2 per cent in September 1985, the lowest level since 1979. The rate dropped 0.6 of a percentage point from the August rate of 4.8 per cent. The reopening of Area schools and the return to work of the automobile assemblers contributed to the drop in the rate and the number of jobless, which fell to 32,200 and an increase of 4,700 in the number of nonagricultural jobs which stood at 680,000. The completion of model retooling sent about 3,600 workers back to work in Transportation Equipment, while school reopening contributed another 4,100 school personnel and 600 school bus operators. Total unemployment fell by 5,100 from August's total of 37,300. Another factor contributing to the dip in the unemployment rate was the shrinking of the civilian labor force, as a result of the withdrawal of 10,700 Area workers, primarily students and summer workers. Despite the over-the-month loss in the labor force, over-the-year 25,900 additional workers entered the work force. Similarly civilian employment was up by 29,100 over-the-year. While civilian employment showed improvement over-the-year, over-the-month cutbacks in communications equipment manufacturing, steel production and Retail Trade and normal seasonal losses in Construction and Services sent civilian employment down by 5,600.

Wage and salaried employment in September 1985 was 680,000, up by 4,700 from the August 1985 total of 675,300. Only five industries showed net job gains over-the-month. State and Local Government sustained the largest job growth with 4,100 jobs. State and local schools gained over 5,000 jobs, but losses of 1,000 in municipal government offset overall growth. An increase of 800 school bus operators contributed to the net gain in Transportation, Communications and Utilities of 600 jobs. The completion of model retooling in the Area's auto assembly plant led to Transportation Equipment regaining 3,600 jobs. Fabricated Metals made a small gain, while Federal Government began rehiring after five consecutive months of declining.

Most job losses over-the-month occurred in the Nonmanufacturing sector. The Services industries recorded 1,300 jobs lost, concentrated primarily in amusement and recreation, which lost nearly 1,000 jobs, and health which lost 200. The Construction industry posted its second loss of 1985 since January with 700 fewer jobs. Wholesale Trade remained stable over-the-month, while Retail Trade, despite expectations of increased back-to-school sales, recorded a loss of 400 jobs. Scattered losses in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate resulted in 300 fewer jobs over-the-month in that industry. The most significant loss in the Manufacturing sector occurred in Electrical Equipment. Reported cutbacks in Communications Equipment contributed the bulk of loss of 600 jobs. Printing and Publishing recorded its usual loss of 300 jobs, while minor losses were posted in Primary Metals and Paper.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 5,200 jobs from September 1984 to September 1985. Durable Goods Manufacturing showed no net change over-the-year, Nondurable Goods Manufacturing gained 600 jobs, while Nonmanufacturing gained 4,600 jobs. Held down by smaller than usual gains in most sectors and larger than usual declines in several sectors, the Area's employment recorded its smallest year-ago advance in September 1985. Within Nonmanufacturing, Services had the largest year ago increase, with 2,300 more jobs, primarily in business, health and recreation services. The gain, however, fell far short of the average gain of Service workers, which had been running 3,000 more in 1985 than in 1984. State and Local Government employment was higher by 1,500 jobs, somewhat higher than the average gain during the first two quarters of the year, but because of district wide staffing changes was lower than the levels during the summer months. Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, primarily commercial banks and other credit agencies, also showed higher levels over-the-year with 700 more jobs, but, again was slightly lower than the average increase of 1985 over 1984 levels. The over-the-month loss in Construction sent construction, with only 700 additional jobs, well below its average 12-month gain of 2,300. Likewise, Electrical Equipment's losses over-the-month, brought its gain over-the-year to only 100 jobs. Other industries with over-the-year gains in September less than the average of the previous months were Wholesale Trade with 300 jobs and Transportation, Communications and Utilities with 100 jobs. Other notable gains over the 12 months were recorded in Federal Government with 600 more jobs, Chemicals with 600, Fabricated Metals with 700, Electrical with 100 and Food and Kindred with 300 jobs.

Six industries posted lower levels in September 1985 compared to September 1984. Retail Trade still suffering sluggish sales, slumped to 1,700 fewer jobs, scattered among eating and drinking, apparel and several other industries. Steel production accounted for Primary Metals industry dipping under 1984 levels for the fifth consecutive month to 500 jobs. Similarly, Machinery continued to hover below 1984 levels, with 300 fewer jobs. Three other industries, Apparel, Paper and Printing and Publishing were slightly lower in September 1985 than September 1984.
of the labor force.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 32,200 in September 1985, for 4.2 per cent of the labor force, compared to 37,300 in August 1985, for 4.8 per cent of the labor force and 36,400 in September 1984 for 4.8 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

The Area's unemployment rate is expected to show little change in October 1985. As the first month of the last quarter of 1985 begins, the Area's unemployment situation will hold fairly steady. State and Local Government will show minor increases as school staffing attains normal levels. The relatively mild weather prevailing in October may temporarily postpone additional large cutbacks in Construction. Likewise, World Series playoffs and final games beiinng held in the Area will offset to some extent the expected losses in Services as summer recreation activities wind down. Retail and Wholesale Trade sector as well as Manufacturing are expected to show little change. Unemployment is expected to be 4.3 per cent of the labor force in October 1985, compared to 4.2 per cent in September 1985 and 5.0 per cent in October 1984.

No major changes in the Area's labor market are expected in November 1985. The unemployment rate will be relatively stable as seasonal losses in Construction and Services are offset by increases in Retail Trade, as area merchants begin hiring for the holiday season sales. Unemployment is expected to be 4.3 per cent of the labor force in November 1985, compared to 5.0 per cent of the labor force in November 1984.

Kansas City Area-Missouri Job Service Statistics

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 33,426 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of September 1985. Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics		Per Cent
Age:	Under 22	16.4
	22-44	67.0
	45 and over	15.7
Sex:	Male	58.0
	Female	42.5
Racial or Ethnic Group		
	Black	33.4
	Other Non-White	1.2
	Hispanic	2.1
Miscellaneous Characteristics		Per Cent
	Unemployment Insurance Claimants	41.1
	Veterans	22.0
	Handicapped	2.5

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated September 30, 1985.

Job Placements

During September 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 8,994 and job placements totaled 2,758. There were 1,518 veteran referrals in September 1985, with 282 veteran placements. During August 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 9.152 and job placements totaled 2,628. There were 1,578 veteran referrals in August 1985, with 317 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated September 30, 1985.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed in the Kansas City Area (Missouri Side Only) September 1985

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	15.3	16.9	16.0
25-34	40.8	35.7	38.3
35-44	23.2	23.5	23.3
45-54	12.0	13.6	12.8
55-64	7.6	8.7	8.1
65 and over	1.1	1.5	1.6
Unreported	0.0	0.1	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	0.3
Mining	0.3
Construction	7.2
Manufacturing	27.2
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	8.0
Wholesale & Retail Trade	19.8
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4.0
Services	29.6
All Other	3.6
Information not available	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	13.6
Clerical	20.5
Sales	4.5
Services	13.1
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	0.4
Processing	1.8
Machine Trades	6.6
Benchwork	7.2
Structural Work	7.6
Miscellaneous	13.5
Information not available	11.2

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 5,525; 2,955 were male and 2,551 were female.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1984)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current:** September, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	680,000	675,300	674,800	+4,700	+5,200
Total Manufacturing	120,900	118,400	120,300	+2,500	+600
Durable Goods	68,300	65,400	68,300	+2,900	0
Lumber & Furniture	3,500	3,500	3,400	0	+100
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,900	3,900	3,900	0	0
Primary Metal Industries	3,500	3,700	4,000	-200	-500
Fabricated Metal Products	10,000	9,900	9,300	+100	+700
Machinery Except Electrical	7,800	7,800	8,100	0	-300
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	20,900	21,500	20,800	-600	+100
Transportation Equipment	15,000	11,400	15,000	+3,600	0
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(14,800)	(11,200)	(14,800)	(+3,600)	(0)
Other Durable Goods	3,700	3,700	3,800	0	-100
Nondurable Goods	52,600	53,000	52,000	-400	+600
Food & Kindred Products	10,100	10,100	9,800	0	+300
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,600	2,600	2,700	0	-100
Paper & Allied Products	5,400	5,500	5,500	-100	-100
Printing & Publishing	19,800	20,100	20,000	-300	-200
Chemicals & Allied Products	9,000	9,000	8,400	0	+600
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	5,100	5,100	5,000	0	+100
Total Nonmanufacturing	559,100	556,900	554,500	+2,200	+4,600
Mining & Quarrying	800	800	700	0	+100
Construction	30,500	31,200	29,800	-700	+700
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	52,000	51,400	51,900	+600	+100
Wholesale & Retail Trade	171,000	171,400	172,400	-400	-1,400
Wholesale Trade	(53,700)	(53,700)	(53,400)	(0)	(+300)
Retail Trade	(117,300)	(117,700)	(119,000)	(-400)	(-1,700)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	50,300	50,600	49,600	-300	+700
Services	151,500	152,800	149,200	-1,300	+2,300
Government	103,000	98,700	100,900	+4,300	+2,100
Federal Government	(28,600)	(28,400)	(28,000)	(+200)	(+600)
State & Local Government	(74,400)	(70,300)	(72,900)	(+4,100)	(+1,500)
In Labor-Management Disputes	500	300	100	+200	+400

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data: September, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$443.90	$428.13	$437.78	40.8	40.2	41.3	$10.88	$10.65	$10.60
Durable Goods	474.91	450.20	467.10	40.8	39.7	41.3	11.64	11.34	11.31
Lumber & Furniture	319.35	323.33	330.38	41.1	41.4	41.4	7.77	7.81	7.98
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	525.62	509.27	474.02	41.0	40.1	39.7	12.82	12.70	11.94
Primary Metal Industries	438.34	424.36	455.92	40.4	38.3	41.0	10.85	11.08	11.12
Fabricated Metal Products	396.33	396.48	368.80	41.5	41.3	40.0	9.55	9.60	9.22
Machinery Exc. Electrical	402.99	411.46	422.00	39.9	40.3	40.0	10.10	10.21	10.55
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	471.42	461.22	467.68	40.5	40.6	42.8	11.64	11.36	11.03
Transportation Equipment	613.18	560.35	603.08	41.6	36.6	42.5	14.74	15.31	14.19
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(616.10)	(565.10)	(60[illegible]08)	(41.6)	(36.6)	(42.5)	(14.81)	(15.44)	(14.19)
Other Durable Goods	258.37	269.43	242.08	36.7	38.6	37.3	7.04	6.98	6.49
Nondurable Goods	391.13	394.01	387.39	40.7	41.0	41.3	9.61	9.61	9.38
Food & Kindred Products	420.16	424.58	411.52	42.1	42.8	42.6	9.98	9.92	9.66
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	195.05	189.72	203.50	35.4	34.0	36.6	5.51	5.58	5.56
*Paper & Allied Products	377.29	375.15	380.64	40.7	41.0	42.2	9.27	9.15	9.02
Printing & Publishing	403.22	408.28	413.26	39.3	39.6	38.3	10.26	10.31	10.79
Chemicals & Allied Products	502.43	512.82	485.00	43.5	44.4	45.2	11.55	11.55	10.73
Petroleum & Coal Products	401.30	406.85	410.89	40.7	41.6	41.8	9.86	9.78	9.83
Other Nondurable Goods	293.85	390.16	280.73	40.7	40.3	41.7	7.22	7.20	6.70

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

September, 1985

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate declined from 7.6% in August to 6.9% in September. Total employment decreased by 700 and the number of unemployed residents declined by 10,000. This month's unemployment rate decline was mainly caused by the return to work of auto assembly workers on model change-over layoff during August. Other labor force movements, such as students exiting the labor force to return to school and nonteaching school personnel returning to work, were mostly seasonal. Over the year, unemployment declined by 3500 while total employment rose by 31,700. The unemployment rate in September, 1984 was 7.3%. During the past 12 months, manufacturing employment increases continued to be concentrated in motor vehicle and aircraft. Many manufacturing industries are reporting lower employment levels and more layoffs are planned for the remainder of the year. There were 700 labor disputants in September, 900 in August, and 200 in September, 1984.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment rose by 6400 workers over the month. About 7000 auto assembly workers returned to work after an August model change-over layoff. All area auto plants are now employing 2 shifts of workers. The food industry, down 700, was affected by a strike in the bakery sector. All other industries register little or no change. Over the year, manufacturing has increased by 500. Lumber, motor vehicles, and aircraft recorded significant gains. Primary metals, down 1400, lost more jobs than any other manufacturing industry.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing employment increased 5800 over the month. Service and government employment levels increased seasonally as schools, private and public, reopened and nonteaching school workers returned to their jobs. Nonrailroad transportation rose 1500 as employees of private school bus companies returned to work and a labor dispute involving auto transport workers was settled. Trade declined 1300 as students holding summer jobs in this industry returned to school. Over the year, nonmanufacturing has added 11200 workers. Significant gains continue to be registered by trade, finance, service, and federal government but some small decreases have begun to be reported by other sectors. Construction employment declined due to the completion of some major projects, railroads continued to register fewer jobs, and health care workers were laid off in local government.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

State UI continued claimants in the MSA were down 6300 in September from August. In the Missouri portion of the MSA they were down 5100 and in the Illinois portion they were down 1200.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sept.
INA	4	3	9	2
Agriculture	28	27	22	24
Mining	19	28	27	15
Constructin	1471	1014	919	949
Manufacturing Total	4654	3456	5869	3434
Food	336	313	290	356
Textile	18	23	22	17
Apparel	212	215	184	216
Lumber	31	35	23	20
Furniture	90	97	120	98
Paper	107	84	85	98
Printing	171	179	131	128
Chemicals	215	218	277	274
Petroleum	16	15	12	21
Rubber	138	120	123	108
Leather	330	297	234	224
Stone	78	49	44	52
Primary Metal	182	151	137	129
Fabricated Metal	449	431	403	414
Machinery	107	95	90	93
Electrtical Machinery	369	220	276	252
Transportation Equip.	1107	333	2844	393
Instruments	25	11	17	16
Miscellaneous	670	564	554	524
Public Utilities	862	950	923	627
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2172	2164	2051	1904
Finance	310	358	321	307
Services	5262	5788	5282	5091
All Other	217	259	251	277
TOTAL	14999	14047	15674	12630

Of the 12,630 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in September, 1985, 55.3 percent were male and 44.7 percent were female.

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sept.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1509	1928	1842	1720
Clerical	2250	2337	2209	2282
Sales	615	618	551	547
Farm, Fish & Forest	77	76	70	73
Processing	272	255	219	242
Machine Trades	1206	1030	1009	968
Bench Work	860	819	755	752
Structural Work	1474	1247	1580	1186
Misc. Work	1822	1795	1729	1538
Domestic	29	38	40	38
Other Services	2193	2249	2049	1862
INA	2611	1655	3621	1422
TOTAL	14999	14047	15674	12630

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1985 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Min.	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	42.1	18.0	18.2	39.8	2.2
Placements, %	40.6	14.3	33.5	45.9	2.4

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1986 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	3.1	1.3
Clerical	14.9	11.7
Sales	12.8	15.3
Processing	1.4	2.0
Machine Trades	4.4	3.8
Bench Work	4.0	5.7
Structural Work	15.2	20.0
Motor Freight & Trans.	3.9	2.8
Packaging & Material Handling	8.9	12.4
Domestic	0.7	0.7
Other Services	29.3	23.1
Other Occupations	1.4	1.2

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in October, 1985 is expected to be 6.9% and in November, 7.0%.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: **St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area** **Month and Year of Current:** **September, 1985**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,065,900	1,053,700	1,054,200	+12,200	+11,700
Percent Change				+(1.2)	+(1.1)
Manufacturing	229,700	223,300	229,200	+6,400	+500
Durable Goods	147,400	140,200	143,900	+7,200	+3,500
Lumber & Furniture	5,400	5,400	4,600	0	+800
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,600	3,600	3,800	0	-200
Primary Metal Industries	14,300	14,500	15,700	-200	-1,400
Fabricated Metal Products	17,300	17,200	17,600	+100	-300
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,800	18,700	18,600	+100	+200
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,300	15,200	15,000	+100	+300
Transportation Equipment	59,400	52,300	55,400	+7,100	+4,000
Motor Vehicles	21,700	14,600	19,100	+7,100	+1,600
Aircraft & Parts	37,000	37,000	35,400	0	+1,600
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	13,300	13,300	13,200	0	+100
Nondurable Goods	82,300	83,100	85,300	-800	-3,000
Food & Kindred Products	20,900	21,600	21,800	-700	-900
Meat Products	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	0
Beverages	8,500	8,600	8,600	-100	-100
Textiles & Apparel	6,500	6,700	6,900	-200	-400
Paper & Paper Products	5,700	5,700	5,900	0	-200
Printing & Publishing	16,500	16,500	16,700	0	-200
Chemical & Allied Products	20,700	20,600	20,600	+100	+100
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,500	2,500	2,400	0	+100
Leather & Leather Products	4,500	4,500	5,300	0	-800
Other Nondurable Goods	5,000	5,000	5,700	0	-700
Nonmanufacturing	836,200	830,400	825,000	+5,800	+11,200
Mining	3,700	3,700	3,800	0	-100
Construction	52,200	52,300	54,000	-100	-1,800
Transportation & Public Utilities	73,200	72,800	74,400	+1,500	-100
Railroads	7,000	7,000	7,600	0	-600
Transportation, Except Railroads	39,600	38,100	39,700	+1,500	-100
Communications & Public Utilities	27,700	27,700	27,100	0	+600
Wholesale & Retail Trade	251,400	252,700	247,500	-1,300	+3,000
Wholesale Trade	64,500	65,000	65,100	-500	-600
Retail Trade	186,900	187,700	182,400	-800	+4,500
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	64,700	65,000	62,800	-300	+1,900
Service, Except Domestic	255,400	254,900	247,600	+500	+7,800
Total Government	134,500	129,000	134,900	+5,500	-400
Total Federal Government	38,700	38,900	37,700	-200	+1,000
Total State & Local Government	95,800	90,100	97,200	+5,700	-1,400
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	700	900	200	-200	+500

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: **St. Louis Metropolitan Area** **Month and Year of Current Data:** **September, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	INA	INA	$440.36	INA	INA	40.4	INA	INA	$10.90
Durable Goods	INA	INA	454.72	INA	INA	40.6	INA	INA	11.20
Lumber & Furniture	343.94	356.58	353.96	40.8	42.0	42.8	8.43	8.49	8.27
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	424.27	398.52	396.93	40.6	36.9	39.3	10.45	10.80	10.10
Primary Metal Industries	483.20	486.34	429.41	40.3	40.8	37.9	11.99	11.92	11.33
Fabricated Metal Products	437.44	437.84	407.25	41.9	42.1	39.5	10.44	10.40	10.31
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	431.34	426.21	444.29	39.5	39.5	40.5	10.92	10.79	10.97
Elect & Electronic Equip.	315.20	312.00	300.80	39.4	39.0	37.6	8.00	8.00	8.00
Transportation Equipment	INA	INA	591.30	INA	INA	43.8	INA	INA	13.50
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	300.63	299.51	274.16	38.2	38.3	37.2	7.87	7.82	7.37
Nondurable Goods	421.34	419.63	414.16	39.9	39.7	39.9	10.56	10.57	10.38
Food & Kindred Products	496.92	494.08	522.49	40.4	40.3	41.5	12.30	12.26	12.59
Textiles & Apparel	213.84	210.28	202.40	35.7	35.4	35.2	5.99	5.94	5.75
Paper & Paper Products	442.90	454.74	429.70	43.0	42.9	41.8	10.30	10.60	10.28
Printing & Publishing	409.34	403.37	410.22	38.8	38.6	38.7	10.55	10.45	10.60
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	492.61	494.08	467.58	41.5	41.8	41.6	11.87	11.82	11.24
Petroleum & Coal Products	613.87	629.26	590.10	42.6	43.1	42.0	14.41	14.60	14.05
Leather & Leather Products	205.82	191.64	198.92	36.3	34.1	36.3	5.67	5.62	5.48
Other Nondurable Goods	325.21	309.68	308.00	40.6	39.3	40.0	8.01	7.88	7.70

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

September, 1985

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA labor force expanded by 1,100 from August to reach 121.400 in September. This change reflects an increase of 1,200 in employment and a reduction of 100 in unemployment. The number of unemployed persons dropped from 5,600 in August to 5,500 in September. The rate of unemployment fell from 4.7 percent to 4.5 percent during the 30 days. In September 1984, there were 5,700 persons unemployed and the rate of unemployment stood at 4.8 percent of the labor force.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Payrolled employment rose from 94,800 in August to 97,600 in September. This jump mostly reflects normal seasonal changes such as the 2,200 job increase in state and local government brought about by the opening of school for the fall term. There were also seasonal employment increasesin trade and services of 200 and 300 respectively. In the manufacturing sector, small scattered gains accumulated to raise the total number of manufacturing jobs in the MSA by 100.

Since September 1984, payrolled employment shows an overall increase of 500. This is the net result of a 1,200 reduction in manufacturing jobs. Nonmanufacturing industries recording significant changes in employment levels since one year ago include: construction, up 600; transportation and utilities, down 500; trade, up 400; and services up 1,000.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers rose six cents from August to reach $8.87 in September. This increase resulted mostly from cost of living wage rate increases and an increase in the proportion of higher paid workers. Average weekly hours worked rose from 38.4 in August to 39.4 in September.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current: September, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	97,600	94,800	97,100	+2,800	+500
Manufacturing	18,900	18,800	20,100	+100	-1,200
Durable Goods	9,700	9,600	10,600	+100	-900
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	1,000	1,000	900	0	+100
Other Durable Goods	8,700	8,600	9,700	+100	-1,000
Nondurable Goods	9,200	9,200	9,500	0	-300
Food Processing	3,800	3,800	3,900	0	-100
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,800	3,800	4,000	0	-200
Nonmanufacturing	78,700	76,000	77,000	+2,700	+1,700
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	4,300	4,300	3,700	0	+600
Transportation & Utilities	5,900	5,900	6,400	0	-500
Trade	27,300	27,100	26,900	+200	+400
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,400	4,400	4,300	0	+100
Services	24,100	23,800	23,100	+300	+1,000
Government	12,600	10,400	12,500	+2,200	+100
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	10,900	8,700	10,800	+2,200	+100
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Very little change in payroll employment is expected during October. Construction will continue strong during the balance of 1985 weather permitting. Trade employment could inch up slightly with a more substantial jump in November when the holiday buying season comes into focus.

The rate of unemployment is expected to remain near the current level during October.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: September, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$349.48	$338.30	$342.37	39.4	38.4	41.6	$8.87	$8.81	$8.23
Durable Goods	339.83	328.04	347.69	39.7	38.1	43.9	8.56	8.61	7.92
Nondurable Goods	362.31	350.24	335.01	39.0	38.7	38.2	9.29	9.05	8.77
Food & Kindred Products	400.08	382.80	368.04	40.7	40.0	40.4	9.83	9.57	9.11
Other Nondurable Goods	342.14	333.26	317.09	38.1	38.0	37.0	8.98	8.77	8.57

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MISSOURI AREA LABOR TRENDS

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

INCLUDES CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR AREAS PLUS LABOR MARKET REVIEWS FOR THE STATE AND THE ST. LOUIS, KANSAS CITY, AND SPRINGFIELD SMSA'S

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Missouri Labor Market Review

Bill Niblack, Labor Economist **Amy Miller, Analyst** **Data Month: October, 1985**

Missouri unemployment edged up slightly in October, as seasonal conditions began to cause increases in unemployment rather than decreases as they have since early summer. The number of jobless Missourians increased by about 1100, and the unemployment rate went up from 5.7 to 5.8 percent. Even so, the increase in unemployment is probably not as great as typical for October.

Employment increased slightly in the state, with total employment growing by about 550 to 2,368,900; this too was slightly contrary to expected seasonal change, as total employment usually begins to edge down in October. The estimate of total employment is now about 118,000 higher than it was a year ago; during this period the unemployment rate fell by six-tenths of a percentage point. The state's labor force has continued to grow virtually all year, only pausing in July and August when some summer workers or jobseekers left the pausing in July and August when some summer workers or jobseekers left the labor force. In October, the labor force grew by about 6500 to 2,513,500.

The number of nonfarm payroll jobs in the state increased slightly in October, edging up by 1500 to 2,049,500 jobs. The net growth occurred in state and local government where the usual fall increase in school and college employment pushed the total up by 8900 to 274,100 jobs. Durable goods manufacturing was essentially unchanged between September and October, at 256,000, while nondurable goods manufacturing employment was down by 400 on balance,

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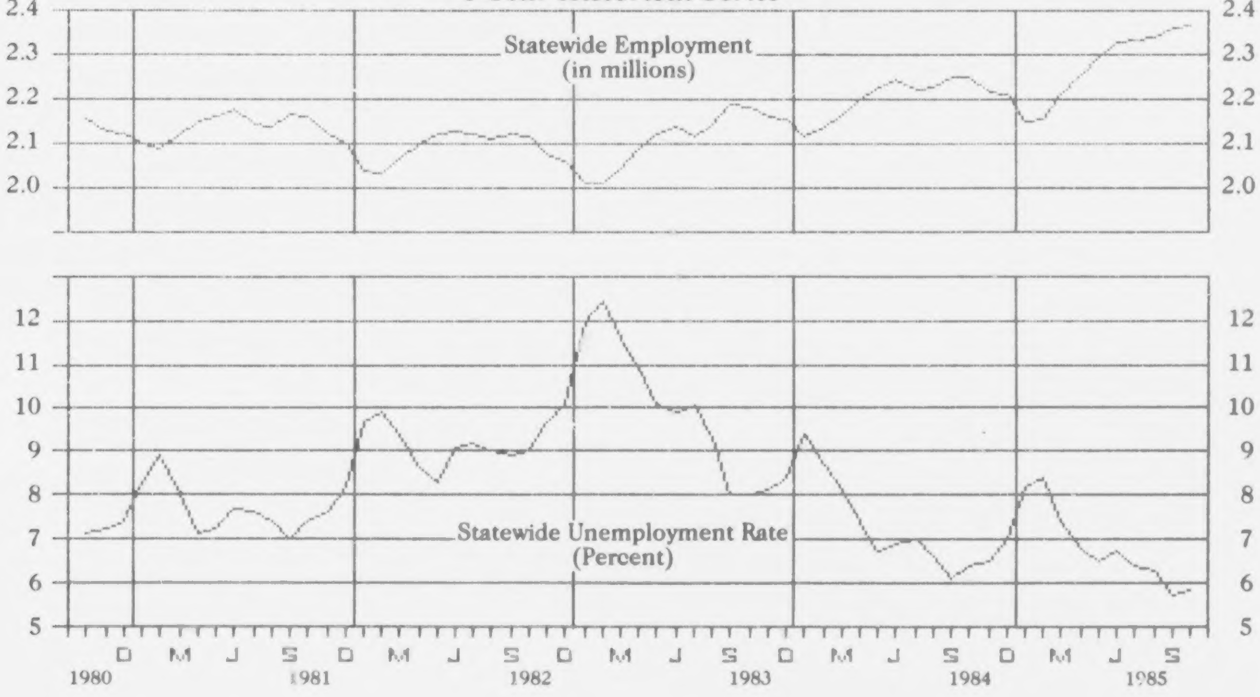

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Table 1
MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - OCT 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - SEP 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - OCT 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2513509	2368881	144628	5.8	2506973	2363425	143548	5.7	2405063	2250700	154363	6.4
ST. LOUIS MSA	1200044	1116524	83520	7.0	1196022	1112715	83307	7.0	1174081	1085214	88867	7.6
KANSAS CITY MSA	762984	728378	34606	4.5	763816	731295	32521	4.3	740841	703686	37155	5.0
SPRINGFIELD MSA	122224	116746	5478	4.5	121494	115900	5594	4.6	119082	113216	5866	4.9
COLUMBIA MSA	65443	63093	2350	3.6	65180	62880	2300	3.5	60675	58500	2175	3.6
JOPLIN MSA	65178	61544	3634	5.6	64453	60709	3744	5.8	59181	55616	3565	6.0
ST. JOSEPH MSA	41170	38501	2669	6.5	41311	38514	2797	6.8	42712	39263	3449	8.1
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	16790	16124	666	4.0	16206	15570	636	3.9	16213	15384	829	5.1
ANDREW	6979	6674	305	4.4	6855	6583	272	4.0	6523	6096	427	6.5
ATCHISON	4358	4230	128	2.9	4452	4279	173	3.9	4309	4040	269	6.2
AUDRAIN	12036	11316	720	6.0	11643	10899	744	6.4	11438	10663	775	6.8
BARRY	12952	12343	609	4.7	12979	12312	667	5.1	11511	10936	575	5.0
BARTON	5468	5278	190	3.5	5374	5220	154	2.9	5148	4963	185	3.6
BATES	8234	7840	394	4.8	8153	7780	373	4.6	7802	7392	410	5.3
BENTON	5852	5489	363	6.2	6062	5707	355	5.9	5621	5280	341	6.1
BOLLINGER	3188	2780	408	12.8	3173	2828	345	10.9	3178	2764	414	13.0
BUTLER	17999	16595	1404	7.8	18030	16679	1351	7.5	17008	15521	1487	8.7
CALDWELL	3705	3535	170	4.6	3728	3532	196	5.3	3838	3606	232	6.0
CALLAWAY	19329	18379	950	4.9	19661	18632	1029	5.2	18724	17441	1283	6.9
CAMDEN	16248	15486	762	4.7	17134	16401	733	4.3	13004	12252	752	5.8
CAPE GIRARDEAU	35286	33834	1452	4.1	34712	33269	1443	4.2	31620	30079	1541	4.9
CARROLL	5067	4767	300	5.9	4879	4653	226	4.6	4756	4448	308	6.5
CARTER	3088	2696	392	12.7	2995	2645	350	11.7	2682	2384	298	11.1
CEDAR	4852	4528	324	6.7	4765	4399	366	7.7	4612	4318	294	6.4
CHARITON	5436	5070	366	6.7	5497	5157	340	6.2	5250	4865	385	7.3
CLARK	3888	3588	300	7.7	3760	3531	229	6.1	3449	3113	336	9.7
CLINTON	7669	7340	329	4.3	7650	7324	326	4.3	7409	6980	429	5.8
COLE/OSAGE LMA	40550	38561	1989	4.9	39940	38003	1937	4.8	37302	34865	2437	6.5
COOPER	7611	7237	374	4.9	7672	7291	381	5.0	7096	6691	405	5.7
CRAWFORD	7882	7331	551	7.0	8074	7546	528	6.5	7411	6888	523	7.1
DADE	4069	3862	207	5.1	4105	3915	190	4.6	3899	3776	123	3.2
DALLAS	5325	4960	365	6.9	5192	4848	344	6.6	4771	4477	294	6.2
DAVIESS	3380	3210	170	5.0	3360	3203	157	4.7	3187	2990	197	6.2
DEKALB	3989	3806	183	4.6	3909	3747	162	4.1	3478	3286	192	5.5
DENT	6368	5857	511	8.0	6526	6045	481	7.4	6102	5492	610	10.0
DOUGLAS	5070	4491	579	11.4	4986	4449	537	10.8	4770	4190	580	12.2
DUNKLIN	13813	12557	1256	9.1	13830	12538	1292	9.3	13411	12025	1386	10.3
GASCONADE	7708	7436	272	3.5	7557	7294	263	3.5	7150	6758	392	5.5
GENTRY	4110	4001	109	2.7	4285	4187	98	2.3	4097	3971	126	3.1
GRUNDY	5518	5195	323	5.9	5618	5302	316	5.6	5369	4940	429	8.0
HARRISON	5646	5413	233	4.1	5631	5399	232	4.1	5208	4983	225	4.3
HENRY	10368	9747	621	6.0	10440	9781	659	6.3	9809	9256	553	5.6
HICKORY	2952	2793	159	5.4	2994	2835	159	5.3	2529	2366	163	6.4
HOLT	3647	3548	99	2.7	3783	3695	88	2.3	3513	3384	129	3.7
HOWARD	5131	4890	241	4.7	5141	4868	273	5.3	4672	4455	217	4.6
HOWELL	13805	12777	1028	7.4	13777	12778	999	7.3	13230	12177	1053	8.0
IRON	3785	3296	489	12.9	3805	3319	486	12.8	4487	3671	816	18.2
JOHNSON	17814	17085	729	4.1	17656	17121	535	3.0	17042	16349	693	4.1
KNOX	2562	2423	139	5.4	2454	2322	132	5.4	2472	2314	158	6.4
LACLEDE	12728	11613	1115	8.8	12619	11628	991	7.9	11417	10314	1103	9.7
LAWRENCE	13635	12844	791	5.8	13589	12738	851	6.3	12225	11460	765	6.3

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	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	6214	5728	486	7.8	6293	5794	499	7.9	5618	5181	437	7.8
LINCOLN	11933	11183	750	6.3	11860	11129	731	6.2	10587	9886	701	6.6
LINN	8267	7554	713	8.6	8068	7466	602	7.5	7792	7022	770	9.9
LIVINGSTON	7241	6889	352	4.9	7091	6769	322	4.5	6856	6383	473	6.9
MACON	7412	6901	511	6.9	8029	6940	1089	13.6	7201	6787	414	5.7
MADISON	3989	3616	373	9.4	3857	3549	308	8.0	3793	3396	397	10.5
MARIES	3348	3100	248	7.4	3327	3109	218	6.6	2647	2396	251	9.5
MARION/RALLS LMA	19227	17964	1263	6.6	19427	18002	1425	7.3	18352	17123	1229	6.7
MCDONALD	6105	5625	480	7.9	6128	5644	484	7.9	5681	5259	422	7.4
MERCER	1849	1755	94	5.1	1839	1736	103	5.6	1875	1781	94	5.0
MILLER	11727	10836	891	7.6	11813	11118	695	5.9	10380	9489	891	8.6
MISSISSIPPI	7320	6565	755	10.3	7249	6536	713	9.8	6470	5824	646	10.0
MONITEAU	5333	4738	595	11.2	5103	4753	350	6.9	4936	4502	434	8.8
MONROE	5058	4867	191	3.8	5059	4861	198	3.9	4730	4486	244	5.2
MONTGOMERY	5432	5058	374	6.9	5542	5127	415	7.5	5310	4947	363	6.8
MORGAN	6338	5646	692	10.9	6412	5877	535	8.3	5863	5256	607	10.4
NEW MADRID	12377	11502	875	7.1	12284	11389	895	7.3	11585	10753	832	7.2
NODAWAY	11955	11479	476	4.0	11592	11186	406	3.5	11041	10558	483	4.4
OREGON	3232	2926	306	9.5	3124	2897	227	7.3	3152	2816	336	10.7
OZARK	4471	4242	229	5.1	4625	4353	272	5.9	4308	4004	304	7.1
PEMISCOT	8931	8228	703	7.9	9006	8278	728	8.1	8291	7480	811	9.8
PERRY	7733	7334	399	5.2	7751	7340	411	5.3	7180	6660	520	7.2
PETTIS	18910	17722	1188	6.3	18525	17313	1212	6.5	16618	15495	1123	6.8
PHELPS	16853	15962	891	5.3	16427	15617	810	4.9	15906	14905	1001	6.3
PIKE	7331	6829	502	6.8	7313	6744	569	7.8	7164	6518	646	9.0
POLK	9989	9389	600	6.0	9759	9069	690	7.1	8957	8526	431	4.8
PULASKI	10161	9474	687	6.8	9853	9207	646	6.6	8870	8170	700	7.9
PUTNAM	3046	2923	123	4.0	2907	2832	75	2.6	3074	2931	143	4.7
RANDOLPH	12343	11583	760	6.2	12911	12095	816	6.3	11538	10884	654	5.7
REYNOLDS	2239	1936	303	13.5	2199	1883	316	14.4	2281	1995	286	12.5
RIPLEY	3734	3340	394	10.6	3661	3298	363	9.9	3277	2974	303	9.2
SALINE	14828	14270	558	3.8	14879	14259	620	4.2	13862	13184	678	4.9
SCOTLAND	2696	2574	122	4.5	2599	2519	80	3.1	2495	2379	116	4.6
SCOTT	18345	16977	1368	7.5	18425	16995	1430	7.8	17270	15706	1564	9.1
SHANNON	2934	2532	402	13.7	2710	2352	358	13.2	3136	2759	377	12.0
SHELBY	3609	3474	135	3.7	3658	3508	150	4.1	3383	3223	160	4.7
ST. CLAIR	4011	3836	175	4.4	4092	3914	178	4.3	3825	3650	175	4.6
ST. FRANCOIS	20876	19056	1820	8.7	20341	18489	1852	9.1	19619	17734	1885	9.6
STE. GENEVIEVE	6651	6166	485	7.3	6577	6124	453	6.9	5616	5199	417	7.4
STODDARD	13895	12876	1019	7.3	13729	12820	909	6.6	12735	11657	1078	8.5
STONE	10086	9475	611	6.1	10078	9479	599	5.9	8396	7812	584	7.0
SULLIVAN	3657	3488	169	4.6	3579	3378	201	5.6	3500	3312	188	5.4
TANEY	17481	16735	746	4.3	19486	18797	689	3.5	15840	15102	738	4.7
TEXAS	8040	7126	914	11.4	8040	7265	775	9.6	8192	6882	1310	16.0
VERNON	10572	10123	449	4.2	10158	9800	358	3.5	9590	9117	473	4.9
WARREN	7671	7301	370	4.8	7707	7290	417	5.4	6570	6109	461	7.0
WASHINGTON	5213	4412	801	15.4	4793	3977	816	17.0	4499	3735	764	17.0
WAYNE	4447	3951	496	11.2	4563	4092	471	10.3	4315	3773	542	12.6
WEBSTER	9132	8416	716	7.8	9138	8314	824	9.0	7878	7195	683	8.7
WORTH	1335	1290	45	3.4	1289	1269	20	1.6	1152	1097	55	4.8
WRIGHT	8001	7354	647	8.1	7911	7168	743	9.4	7465	6814	651	8.7

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
October, 1985

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2049.5	2047.8	2044.6									
Total Manufacturing	429.1	429.3	435.3	INA	INA	382.59	INA	INA	40.4	INA	INA	9.47
Durable Goods	246.1	245.9	250.2	INA	INA	420.85	INA	INA	41.3	INA	INA	10.19
Lumber & Wood Products	10.6	10.8	10.9	246.93	251.72	239.12	39.7	40.6	39.2	6.22	6.20	6.10
Furniture & Fixtures	11.1	11.1	10.9	315.98	320.60	333.14	42.7	43.5	44.3	7.40	7.37	7.52
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.6	10.6	11.0	422.58	421.74	411.68	40.4	39.9	40.6	10.46	10.57	10.14
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	0.8	545.10	548.26	551.14	39.5	39.5	40.2	13.80	13.88	13.71
Structural Clay Prod.	2.2	2.2	2.4	466.88	454.71	451.95	39.6	38.6	39.3	11.79	11.78	11.50
Primary Metal Industries	12.6	12.5	13.8	439.19	433.35	399.31	40.5	40.6	38.2	10.68	10.63	10.86
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.9	1.8	2.2	382.55	369.56	335.75	41.9	40.7	40.7	9.13	9.08	8.50
Nonferrous Foundries	3.2	3.1	3.0	341.43	316.36	339.36	42.1	40.1	42.0	8.11	7.90	8.08
Fabricated Metal Products	28.8	28.7	28.2	391.94	394.70	378.51	41.3	41.2	40.7	9.49	9.58	9.30
Fabricated Structural Metal Prod.	11.4	11.3	10.5	394.15	382.44	358.02	42.2	41.3	40.5	9.34	9.26	8.84
Machinery Exc. Electrical	31.7	31.8	31.9	410.47	406.42	405.90	40.6	40.3	41.2	10.11	10.06	9.89
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	51.6	51.3	51.7	374.37	382.32	362.35	39.7	40.5	39.3	9.43	9.44	9.22
Transportation Equipment	70.8	70.7	72.8	INA	INA	593.48	INA	INA	45.2	INA	INA	13.13
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	30.6	30.5	34.3	609.00	600.06	633.12	43.5	42.8	48.0	14.00	14.02	13.19
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.4	11.4	11.8	302.25	295.11	305.52	40.3	39.4	38.0	7.50	7.49	8.04
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	6.9	7.0	7.2	261.90	256.80	261.19	38.8	38.5	39.1	6.75	6.67	6.68
Nondurable Goods	183.0	183.4	185.1	343.17	349.20	334.05	39.4	40.0	39.3	8.71	8.73	8.50
Food & Kindred Products	45.3	44.9	44.8	411.58	412.37	399.49	42.3	42.6	41.7	9.73	9.68	9.58
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	12.5	12.4	11.7	283.39	285.91	301.46	40.6	41.8	42.7	6.98	6.84	7.06
Dairy Products	6.2	6.2	6.3	443.77	432.90	398.56	44.6	44.4	42.4	9.95	9.75	9.40
Grain Mill Products	7.2	7.1	7.1	478.80	480.15	433.72	45.0	45.0	42.9	10.64	10.67	10.11
Bakery Products	5.4	5.0	5.4	384.54	374.19	390.53	39.0	38.3	38.4	9.86	9.77	10.17
Beverages	10.0	10.2	10.1	613.55	614.70	580.02	41.4	41.2	39.7	14.82	14.92	14.61

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Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred	3.9	3.9	4.2	424.49	431.61	403.24	45.4	45.1	41.7	9.35	9.57	9.67
Textile & Apparel	23.8	24.3	25.3	195.05	202.03	192.96	35.4	36.6	35.8	5.51	5.52	5.39
Paper & Allied Products	13.4	13.4	13.0	378.51	388.27	372.11	40.7	41.0	41.3	9.30	9.47	9.01
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	6.9	6.9	6.8	392.92	383.26	365.98	41.8	40.6	40.8	9.40	9.44	8.97
Printing & Publishing	39.8	39.9	39.9	379.61	393.79	379.23	38.5	39.3	38.5	9.86	10.02	9.85
Commercial Printing	12.9	12.9	12.8	431.98	452.45	447.45	40.6	41.7	40.9	10.64	10.85	10.94
Chemicals & Allied	29.6	29.7	29.1	462.26	468.54	470.48	40.8	41.1	42.5	11.33	11.40	11.07
Leather & Leather Products	17.7	17.9	19.4	192.60	202.91	186.09	35.8	37.3	34.7	5.38	5.44	5.38
Footwear Exc. Rubber	14.3	14.4	15.5	186.38	195.94	179.73	35.5	36.9	34.3	5.25	5.31	5.24
Total Nonmanufacturing	1620.4	1618.5	1609.3									
Mining	6.4	6.6	5.9									
Construction	85.2	86.6	87.3									
Transportation & Public Util.	133.1	133.6	135.6									
Railroad Transportation	12.6	12.6	13.4									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	68.4	68.9	69.9									
Communications	52.1	52.1	52.3									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	490.1	491.8	485.2									
Wholesale Trade	130.4	130.0	131.4									
Retail Trade	359.7	361.8	353.8									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	115.3	115.9	113.7									
Services	446.6	448.8	438.7									
Government	343.7	335.2	342.9									
Federal Government	69.6	70.0	68.6									
State & Local Government	274.1	265.2	274.3									

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mostly in apparel manufacturing. In the nonmanufacturing sector, construction experienced a seasonal drop of 1400 jobs, while the service industries were down by 2200 jobs and retail trade by 2100 jobs.

Estimated nonfarm payroll employment has increased by only 4900 jobs over the past year. Decreases of 4100 jobs in the durable goods manufacturing industries (most of which is due to temporary reductions in employment in the automobile industry) and 2100 jobs in nondurable goods manufacturing were more than offset by gains of 11,100 in the nonmanufacturing industries. Even in this sector, conditions varied substantially among industries. The big gainers were services (7900 jobs) and retail trade (5900 jobs), while transportation and public utilities employment was 2500 below the year ago level and construction was down by 2100 jobs.

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

Although gross national product grew at a more respectable pace in the third quarter than it did earlier in the year, there still does not seem to be much forward momentum to the economy. Retail sales have dropped substantially, with the end of the automakers' discount financing offers. Although the economy does not appear to be "taking off," neither does it appear to be in danger of slipping into recession in the short-term future.

National unemployment was the same in October as in September, with the seasonally adjusted civilian rate remaining at 7.1 percent and 8.3 million Americans unemployed. Total civilian employment was up by about 325,000 over the month and 2.2 million from a year earlier. The employment population ratio -- the percentage of the 16-and-over population which was employed -- regained its record high of 60.3 percent in October.

Nonfarm payroll employment grew by about 400,000 jobs between September and October, on a seasonally adjusted basis. Manufacturing was little changed over the month, with most of the growth occurring in services and other nonmanufacturing industries. Compared to a year ago, the number of jobs is up by about 3 million. Manufacturing lost some jobs over the year, while retail trade, services, finance, construction, and government all showed increases.

Outlook

The economy appears to be in a relatively stable situation at the moment, with weakness in many manufacturing industries but no apparent danger of recession in the upcoming months. This sould be reflected in relatively small underlying changes in employment and unemployment.

This does not mean that there will be no changes in estimated employment and unemployment, since we are entering the time of year when seasonal changes become important. Moderate declines in employment and increases in unemployment are the rule for November and December. Retail trade should, of course, show the usual Christmas increase, but most other industries are unlikely to experience gains. It is not until January, however, that the seasonal changes become substantial.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments
Missouri — October, 1985

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,513,500	2,506,900	2,405,100	6,600	108,400
Total Employed	2,368,900	2,363,400	2,250,700	5,500	118,200
Total Unemployed	144,600	143,500	154,400	1,100	-9,800
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	5.8	5.7	6.4	0.1	-0.6
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Comestics (No. of Jobs)	2,049,400	2,047,900	2,044,500	1,500	4,900
Manufacturing	429,000	429,300	435,200	-300	-6,200
Durable Goods	246,000	245,900	250,100	100	-4,100
Nondurable Goods	183,000	183,400	185,100	-400	-2,100
Nonmanufacturing	1,620,400	1,618,600	1,609,300	1,800	11,100
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	7,689	6,471	7,998	1,218	-308
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	39,174	35,829	34,252	3,345	4,922
Insured Unemployment Rate	1.7	1.9	2.1	-0.2	-0.4
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	3,041	2,716	3,300	325	-259
Amount of Benefits Paid	$14,904,955	$12,518,384	$11,070,303	$2,386,571	$3,834,652
State U.I.	14,573,663	12,251,634	10,798,154	2,322,029	3,775,509
UCFE	175,341	135,817	128,548	39,524	46,793
UCX	155,951	130,933	143,601	25,018	12,350

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

October, 1985

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Normal seasonal losses in several Nonmanufacturing industries led to the Area's October 1985 unemployment rate rising by two tenths of a percentage point to 4.5 per cent of the labor force. Employment as neasured by the nonagricultural wage and salaried employment series fell by 1,500, while the civilian employment series posted a drop of 2,900 persons over-the-month. The bulk of the Area's employment losses were recorded in Services, Construction and Retail Trade. Gains in school employment only partially offset these losses. The increase in the number of jobless persons of 2,100 was accompanied by a slight shrinkage in the civilian labor force by 800 persons. Despite the monthly losses, the labor market compared favorably to a year ago in October. Over the 12 months, civilian employment has grown by 24,700, with 22,100 of that growth accounted for by an increase in the size of the civilian labor force and 2,600 resulting from a decline in the number of jobless. The 12-month gain in payroll employment, however, is the smallest recorded of the year over last year's levels. More than a third of the Area's major industries showed declines over the 12-month period.

Wage and salaried employment in October 1985 was 678,600, down by 1,500 from the September 1985 total of 680,100. The bulk of the Area's losses were recorded in the Area's Nonmanufacturing industries. The Services industry lost 1,400 jobs, primarily in recreational services. Employment in the Construction industry fell by 1,200 over-the-month, with slightly more than half of those losses in special trades and the remaining losses in nonbuilding construction. Wholesale and Retail Trade recorded losses for the second consecutive month as Retail Trade lost another 500 jobs, mostly in eating and drinking places and Wholesale Trade declined by 200. Other Nonmanufacturing industries showing declines over-the-month were Federal Government with 200 fewer jobs and Transportation, Communications and Utilities down by 100. The only significant gain recorded over-the-month was posted in State and Local Government as school employment rose by 1,800 jobs. Manufacturing employment showed little change over-the-month.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 3,500 jobs from October 1984 to October 1985. Durable Goods Manufacturing posted a slight overall gain. Nonmanufacturing gained 3,200 jobs over-the-year. Within Nonmanufacturing the largest over-the-year gain was recorded in the Services industry which added another 2,700 jobs. While most of the gains were recorded in building services, other industries showing substantial gains were hotels, commercial sports, other business services, health and educational services. Led by gains in schools and other state and numicipal government increased by 1,600 jobs over-the-year. Advances in insurance, erdit agencies and real estate accounted for a gain of 1,000 jobs in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate. Federal Government was the only other nonmanufacturing industry recording gains over-the-year. Losses of 1,600 jobs were recorded in Retail Trade which sustained losses over year ago levels for the eighth consecutive month. While automotive dealers gained jobs compared to a year ago, apparel, eating and drinking and miscellaneous retail sustained major losses over the period. For the first time in 1985, the Construction industry fell below 1984 levels by 700 jobs.

Within the Manufacturing sector, Fabricated Metals showed a gain of 700 jobs, while chemicals also gained 400 jobs, primarily in drugs and plastics. The only Manufacturing industry showing major loss was Primary Metals, which fell by 500 jobs over the period. Most other Manufacturing industries showed only minor changes over the 12-month period.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 34,600 in October 1985 for 4.5 per cent of the labor force, compared to 32,500 in September 1985 for 4.3 per cent of the labor force and 37,200 in October 1984 for 5.0 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

The Area's labor market is expected to show only minor changes in November 1985. The unemployment rate will fall slightly as Area merchants hire some additional workers for the holiday shopping season. Employment in Retail Trade normally increases by over 2,000, but recent sluggishness in Retail Trade will probably significantly reduce that expected increase. Continued losses in the Services industry and Construction will further diminish any substantial employment advances in the Area. Overall Manufacturing employment is also expected to record little change over-the-month. Unemployment is expected to be 4.3 per cent of the labor force in November 1985, compared to 4.5 per cent in October 1985 and 5.0 per cent in November 1984.

While payroll jobs will probably increase in the Area in December 1985, spurred on by continued hiring in Retail Trade, the civilian unemployment rate normally rises slightly in December. Few changes other than seasonal ones are expected in the Area's labor market. Losses in Services and Construction will continue. Manufacturing will show only minor changes. Unemployment is expected to be 4.5 per cent of the labor force in December 1985, compared to 5.3 per cent in December 1984.

Kansas City Area-
Missouri Job Service Statistics

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 31,884 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of October 1985. Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics		Per Cent
Age:	Under 22	16.8
	22-44	67.4
	45 and over	15.8
Sex:	Male	58.0
	Female	42.0
Racial or Ethnic Group		
	Black	32.9
	Other Non-White	1.1
	Hispanic	2.1

Miscellaneous Characteristics	Per Cent
Unemployment Insurance Claimants	44.2
Veterans	21.7
Handicapped	2.5

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated October 31, 1985.

Job Placements

During October 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 11,244 and job placements totaled 4,425. There were 2,048 veteran referrals in October 1985, with 418 veteran placements. During September 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 8,994 and job placements totaled 2,758. There were 1,518 veteran referrals in September 1985, with 282 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated October 31, 1985.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed in the Kansas City Area (Missouri Side Only)
October 1985

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	15.9	17.4	16.6
25-34	42.0	35.2	38.8
35-44	22.1	22.5	22.3
45-54	10.7	14.1	12.3
55-64	8.2	9.3	8.7
65 and over	0.9	1.4	1.2
Unreported	0.2	0.1	0.1

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	0.3
Mining	0.4
Construction	8.7
Manufacturing	28.4
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	6.9
Wholesale & Retail Trade	17.6
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4.1
Services	28.2
All Other	5.4
Information not available	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	12.8
Clerical	20.5
Sales	4.6
Services	13.9
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	0.3
Processing	1.8
Machine Trades	6.2
Benchwork	7.9
Structural Work	7.8
Miscellaneous	13.8
Information not available	10.4

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 4,309; 2,304 were male and 2,002 were female.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1984)

Area and State: **Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas** **Month and Year of Current:** **October, 1985**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	678,600	680,100	675,100	-1,500	+3,500
Total Manufacturing	120,900	120,700	120,600	+200	+300
Durable Goods	68,500	68,200	68,300	+300	+200
Lumber & Furniture	3,500	3,500	3,400	0	+100
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,900	3,900	3,900	0	0
Primary Metal Industries	3,500	3,500	4,000	0	-500
Fabricated Metal Products	10,100	10,000	9,400	+100	+700
Machinery Except Electrical	7,900	7,800	8,000	0	+100
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	20,900	20,900	20,800	0	+100
Transportation Equipment	15,100	15,000	15,000	+100	+100
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(14,900)	(14,800)	(14,800)	(+100)	(+100)
Other Durable Goods	3,600	3,600	3,800	0	-200
Nondurable Goods	52,400	52,500	52,300	-100	+100
Food & Kindred Products	9,900	10,000	10,000	-100	-100
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,600	2,600	2,600	0	0
Paper & Allied Products	5,300	5,400	5,500	-100	-200
Printing & Publishing	19,800	19,800	20,000	0	-200
Chemicals & Allied Products	9,000	9,000	8,600	0	+400
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	5,200	5,100	5,000	+100	+200
Total Nonmanufacturing	557,700	559,400	554,500	-1,700	+3,200
Mining & Quarrying	800	800	700	0	+100
Construction	29,300	30,500	30,000	-1,200	-700
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	51,900	52,000	52,100	-600	-200
Wholesale & Retail Trade	170,300	171,000	172,000	-700	-1,700
Wholesale Trade	(53,500)	(53,700)	(53,600)	(-200)	(-100)
Retail Trade	(116,800)	(117,300)	(118,400)	(-500)	(-1,600)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	50,400	50,300	49,400	+100	+1,000
Services	150,700	152,100	148,000	-1,400	+2,700
Government	104,300	102,700	102,300	+1,600	+2,000
Federal Government	(28,400)	(28,600)	(28,000)	(-200)	(+400)
State & Local Government	(75,900)	(74,100)	(74,300)	(+1,800)	(+1,600)
In Labor-Management Disputes	500	500	100	0	+400

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data: October, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$440.36	$445.81	$441.50	40.4	40.9	41.3	$10.90	$10.90	$10.69
Durable Goods	465.56	474.91	479.00	40.1	40.8	41.4	11.61	11.64	11.57
Lumber & Furniture	296.81	317.38	322.40	38.2	40.9	40.0	7.77	7.76	8.06
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	507.93	525.16	542.70	39.9	40.9	40.2	12.73	12.84	13.50
Primary Metal Industries	435.92	438.74	420.90	40.4	40.4	38.9	10.79	10.86	10.82
Fabricated Metal Products	391.94	401.82	378.22	41.3	41.9	41.2	9.49	9.59	9.18
Machinery Exc. Electrical	412.70	406.02	384.38	40.5	40.2	37.5	10.19	10.10	10.25
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	474.33	471.42	457.29	40.3	40.5	41.8	11.77	11.64	10.95
Transportation Equipment	586.00	612.35	662.61	40.0	41.6	44.5	14.65	14.72	14.89
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(589.20)	(615.68)	(666.17)	(40.0)	(41.6)	(44.5)	(14.73)	(14.80)	(14.97)
Other Durable Goods	256.26	255.87	239.36	36.4	36.5	37.4	7.04	7.01	6.40
Nondurable Goods	398.52	396.62	376.69	41.0	41.1	41.0	9.72	9.65	9.19
Food & Kindred Products	429.14	425.72	414.26	42.7	42.7	42.1	10.05	9.97	9.84
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	187.60	200.36	176.26	33.5	35.4	32.4	5.60	5.66	5.44
*Paper & Allied Products	389.93	395.47	372.20	42.2	42.8	42.2	9.24	9.24	8.82
Printing & Publishing	411.60	410.55	407.21	39.2	39.4	38.2	10.50	10.42	10.66
Chemicals & Allied Products	513.04	497.23	443.90	44.0	43.2	46.0	11.66	11.51	9.65
Petroleum & Coal Products	371.80	383.08	376.66	37.9	38.5	39.9	9.81	9.95	9.44
Other Nondurable Goods	292.73	396.79	285.78	40.6	40.6	42.4	7.21	7.31	6.74

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

October, 1985

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate remained at 7.0% in October from September. Over the month, unemployment rose by 200 and total employment increased by 3,800. Most major industries registered little or no movement other than normal seasonal variations. Over the year, unemployment declined 5400 and total employment rose 31,300. The unemployment rate in October, 1984 was 7.6%. It now appears that the average unemployment rate for all of 1985 will be about 7.7%. The average rate in 1984 was 8.1%. Although employment will register a significant gain of 27,100, unemployment will decrease by only 3,400 (-3.6%). Unemployment will average about 91,900 for 1985. There were 300 labor disputants in October, 700 in September, and 200 in October 1984.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment was unchanged over the month. The food and kindred industry rose 400 in October after a September labor dispute was settled. Nonelectrical machinery, which previously had improved early in the year, declined 300. Over the year, manufacturing has added only 700 workers. Although motor vehicles (+3800) and aircraft (+1500) have registered significant gains, a majority of manufacturing industries have reported job losses. The three manufacturing sectors that have suffered the greatest declines are primary metals (-1300), leather (-700) and other nondurables (-600).

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing employment increased 1400 over the month. State and local government rose 3300 as public school employment continued its seasonal rise after summer vacations. Services, due to seasonal declines in the hotel and recreation sectors, was down 1700. Over the year, nonmanufacturing has added 9600 workers. Services registered the largest gains, up 6400 over October 1984 levels. The greatest decline occurred in state and local government. Employment dropped 2000 because of public health care consolidations and hiring freezes in some other agencies.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

State UI continued claimants in the MSA were up 200 in October from September. In the Missouri portion of the MSA they were up 100 and in the Illinois portion they were up 100.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	Jul.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
INA	3	9	2	0
Agriculture	27	22	24	26
Mining	28	27	15	25
Constructin	1014	919	949	882
Manufacturing Total	3456	5869	3434	3056
Food	313	290	356	338
Textile	23	22	17	20
Apparel	215	184	216	195
Lumber	35	23	20	20
Furniture	97	120	98	69
Paper	84	85	98	85
Printing	179	131	128	143
Chemicals	218	277	274	284
Petroleum	15	12	21	23
Rubber	120	123	108	82
Leather	297	234	224	178
Stone	49	44	52	28
Primary Metal	151	137	128	100
Fabricated Metal	431	403	414	423
Machinery	95	90	93	89
Electrtical Machinery	220	276	252	317
Transportation Equip.	333	2844	393	187
Instruments	11	17	16	20
Miscellaneous	564	554	524	453
Public Utilities	950	923	627	490
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2164	2051	1904	1607
Finance	358	321	307	261
Services	5788	5282	5091	4308
All Other	259	251	277	247
TOTAL	14047	15674	12630	10902

Of the 10,902 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in October, 1985, 54.9 percent were male and 45.1 percent were female.

The occupational distribution of the intrastate Missouri resident claimant is:

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	Jul.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1928	1842	1720	1546
Clerical	2337	2209	2282	1931
Sales	618	551	547	470
Farm, Fish & Forest	76	70	73	67
Processing	255	219	242	236
Machine Trades	1030	1009	968	865
Bench Work	819	755	752	736
Structural Work	1247	1580	1186	1006
Misc. Work	1795	1729	1538	1333
Domestic	38	40	38	38
Other Services	2249	2049	1862	1569
INA	1655	3621	1422	1105
TOTAL	14047	15674	12630	10902

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1985 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Min.	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	45.8	16.4	19.0	42.2	2.2
Placements, %	42.8	12.0	41.1	39.9	2.2

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1986 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	3.2	1.3
Clerical	14.7	11.2
Sales	12.3	12.9
Processing	1.4	1.7
Machine Trades	4.2	3.6
Bench Work	3.9	4.8
Structural Work	14.1	16.2
Motor Freight & Trans.	4.2	2.6
Packaging & Material Handling	9.2	11.8
Domestic	0.8	0.7
Other Services	30.4	31.8
Other Occupations	1.6	1.4

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in November, 1985 is expected to be 7.1% and in December, 7.2%.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area

Month and Year of Current: October, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,065,900	1,064,500	1,055,600	+1,400	+10,300
Percent Change				+(0.1)	+(1.0)
Manufacturing	229,600	229,600	228,900	0	+700
Durable Goods	147,200	147,400	143,900	-200	+3,300
Lumber & Furniture	5,500	5,400	4,600	+100	+900
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,500	3,500	3,700	0	-200
Primary Metal Industries	14,300	14,200	15,600	+100	-1,300
Fabricated Metal Products	17,400	17,400	17,500	0	-100
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,600	18,900	18,600	-300	0
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,300	15,300	15,000	0	+300
Transportation Equipment	59,400	59,400	55,600	0	+3,800
Motor Vehicles	21,700	21,700	19,100	0	+2,600
Aircraft & Parts	37,000	37,000	35,500	0	+1,500
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	13,200	13,300	13,300	-100	-100
Nondurable Goods	82,400	82,200	85,000	+200	-2,600
Food & Kindred Products	21,300	20,900	21,800	+400	-500
Meat Products	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	0
Beverages	8,400	8,500	8,600	-100	-200
Textiles & Apparel	6,600	6,600	6,900	0	-300
Paper & Paper Products	5,800	5,700	5,900	+100	-100
Printing & Publishing	16,300	16,500	16,600	-200	-300
Chemical & Allied Products	20,500	20,600	20,600	-100	-100
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0
Leather & Leather Products	4,500	4,500	5,200	0	-700
Other Nondurable Goods	5,000	5,000	5,600	0	-600
Nonmanufacturing	836,300	834,900	826,700	+1,400	+9,600
Mining	3,700	3,700	3,600	0	+100
Construction	52,800	52,600	54,100	+200	-1,300
Transportation & Public Utilities	74,100	74,200	74,100	-100	0
Railroads	7,000	7,000	7,500	0	-500
Transportation, Except Railroads	39,500	39,600	39,400	-100	+ 00
Communications & Public Utilities	27,600	27,600	27,200	0	+400
Wholesale & Retail Trade	250,800	250,800	247,400	0	+3,400
Wholesale Trade	64,800	65,500	65,600	+300	+200
Retail Trade	186,000	186,300	182,400	-300	+3,200
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	64,500	64,600	62,600	-100	+1,900
Service, Except Domestic	253,000	254,700	246,600	-1,700	+6,400
Total Government	137,400	134,300	138,300	+3,100	-900
Total Federal Government	38,500	38,700	37,400	-200	+1,100
Total State & Local Government	98,900	95,600	100,900	+3,300	-2,000
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	300	700	200	-400	+100

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: **St. Louis Metropolitan Area** **Month and Year of Current Data:** **October, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	INA	INA	$441.45	INA	INA	40.5	INA	INA	$10.90
Durable Goods	INA	INA	459.20	INA	INA	41.0	INA	INA	11.20
Lumber & Furniture	343.66	347.62	351.51	40.1	40.8	42.3	8.57	8.52	8.31
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	472.07	459.89	391.55	42.3	42.9	38.5	11.16	10.72	10.17
Primary Metal Industries	487.59	486.41	427.61	40.7	40.5	36.3	11.98	12.01	11.78
Fabricated Metal Products	434.70	435.14	406.76	42.0	41.8	39.3	10.35	10.41	10.35
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	461.96	447.92	452.65	41.1	40.1	41.3	11.24	11.17	10.96
Elect & Electronic Equip.	318.16	312.02	322.09	38.8	39.1	38.9	8.20	7.98	8.28
Transportation Equipment	INA	INA	590.91	INA	INA	44.8	INA	INA	13.19
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	316.79	309.68	290.70	39.5	39.2	38.0	8.02	7.90	7.65
Nondurable Goods	415.40	425.32	411.05	39.6	40.2	39.6	10.49	10.58	10.38
Food & Kindred Products	506.72	506.31	507.98	40.7	40.7	40.9	12.45	12.44	12.42
Textiles & Apparel	210.27	210.24	202.88	35.7	36.0	34.8	5.89	5.84	5.82
Paper & Paper Products	429.06	445.05	432.23	41.9	43.0	42.5	10.24	10.35	10.17
Printing & Publishing	384.54	414.74	411.34	37.7	39.2	38.3	10.20	10.58	10.74
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	494.08	491.83	464.51	41.8	41.4	41.4	11.82	11.88	11.22
Petroleum & Coal Products	590.36	607.92	595.16	41.4	42.1	42.3	14.26	14.44	14.07
Leather & Leather Products	193.14	202.71	188.84	35.7	37.4	35.1	5.41	5.42	5.38
Other Nondurable Goods	311.60	324.80	311.60	40.0	40.6	40.0	7.79	8.00	7.79

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

October, 1985

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA labor force expanded by 700 from September to 122,200 in October. The estimated number of unemployed persons stands at 5,500, down 100 from a month earlier. The area rate of unemployment dropped one-tenth of a percentage point from September to October.

During October 1984, there were 5,900 workers unemployed and the rate of unemployment was calculated at 4.9 percent of the labor force.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Total payrolled employment rose from 400 from September to reach 97,800 in October. This is the net result of a drop of 200 in manufacturing jobs and a gain of 600 in manufacturing employment. Nonmanufacturing industries recording significant changes in employment levels since one month ago include: transportation and utilities, up 100; trade, up 200; and government, up 300. The jump in government occurred at state and local educational institutions and includes a substantial amount of student labor.

Since October 1984, payrolled jobs show an increase of 600. During the past 12-month period, manufacturing employment fell 1,200 and jobs in the nonmanufacturing sector rose 1,800.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers rose two cents from September to reach $8.86 in October. This average weekly hours worked slipped from 39.1 in September to 38.3 in October.

During October 1984, the average hourly wage came to $8.26 and the factory workweek averaged 38.3 hours.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current: October, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	97,800	97,400	97,200	+400	+600
Manufacturing	18,700	18,900	19,900	-200	-1,200
Durable Goods	9,500	9,700	10,600	-200	-1,100
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	1,000	1,000	900	0	+100
Other Durable Goods	8,500	8,700	9,700	-200	-1,200
Nondurable Goods	9,200	9,200	9,300	0	-100
Food Processing	3,800	3,800	3,800	0	0
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,800	3,800	3,900	0	-100
Nonmanufacturing	79,100	78,500	77,300	+600	+1,800
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	4,200	4,200	3,700	0	+500
Transportation & Utilities	5,900	5,800	6,200	+100	-300
Trade	27,500	27,300	26,900	+200	+600
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,400	4,400	4,400	0	0
Services	24,100	24,100	23,100	0	+1,000
Government	12,900	12,600	12,900	+300	0
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	11,200	10,900	11,200	+300	0
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Payrolled employment is expected to remain near the current level during November. Slight reductions in construction and manufacturing should be off-set by seasonal hiring by retail trade in response to the Christmas rush.

A seasonal uptrend in the rate of unemployment will start in November and continue into the late winter months. An increase of one or two-tenths of a percentage point in the rate of unemployment in November seems likely.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: October, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$339.34	$345.64	$316.36	38.3	39.1	38.3	$8.86	$8.84	$8.26
Durable Goods	328.10	332.81	313.21	38.6	39.2	39.2	8.50	8.49	7.99
Nondurable Goods	364.56	362.70	322.51	39.2	39.0	36.9	9.30	9.30	8.74
Food & Kindred Products	400.25	402.70	370.12	40.8	40.8	39.5	9.81	9.87	9.37
Other Nondurable Goods	347.13	342.14	297.14	38.4	38.1	35.5	9.04	8.98	8.37

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Missouri Labor Market Review

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Missouri labor market conditions reflected the usual seasonal changes in November, with the unemployment rate edging up a tenth of a percentage point to 5.9 percent, and employment beginning to decrease.

About 1400 more Missourians were unemployed in November than in October, according to preliminary November and revised October labor force estimates. Total employment dropped by 27,300 to 2,343,000, and the labor force contracted seasonally (by 26,000) to 2,489,800. Compared to November 1984, total employment is up by 122,700, while the labor force has grown by 116,000. Unemployment has decreased by 6700 people in this period, and the rate dropped six-tenths of a percentage point from last year's 6.5 percent.

Nonfarm payroll employment fell by 7900 jobs in November, to 2,043,100. About half the drop occurred in durable goods manufacturing, as a strike in the automobile industry caused employment to fall by 2900 jobs to 27,700. The other large drops were seasonal ones in services (4000 jobs) and construction (2300 jobs); these were partly offset by seasonal increases in retail trade (1600 jobs) and state and local government (1500 jobs). Manufacturing employment remains below the level of a year ago.

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

National unemployment stayed slightly above the 8 million mark in November as the seasonally adjusted civilian

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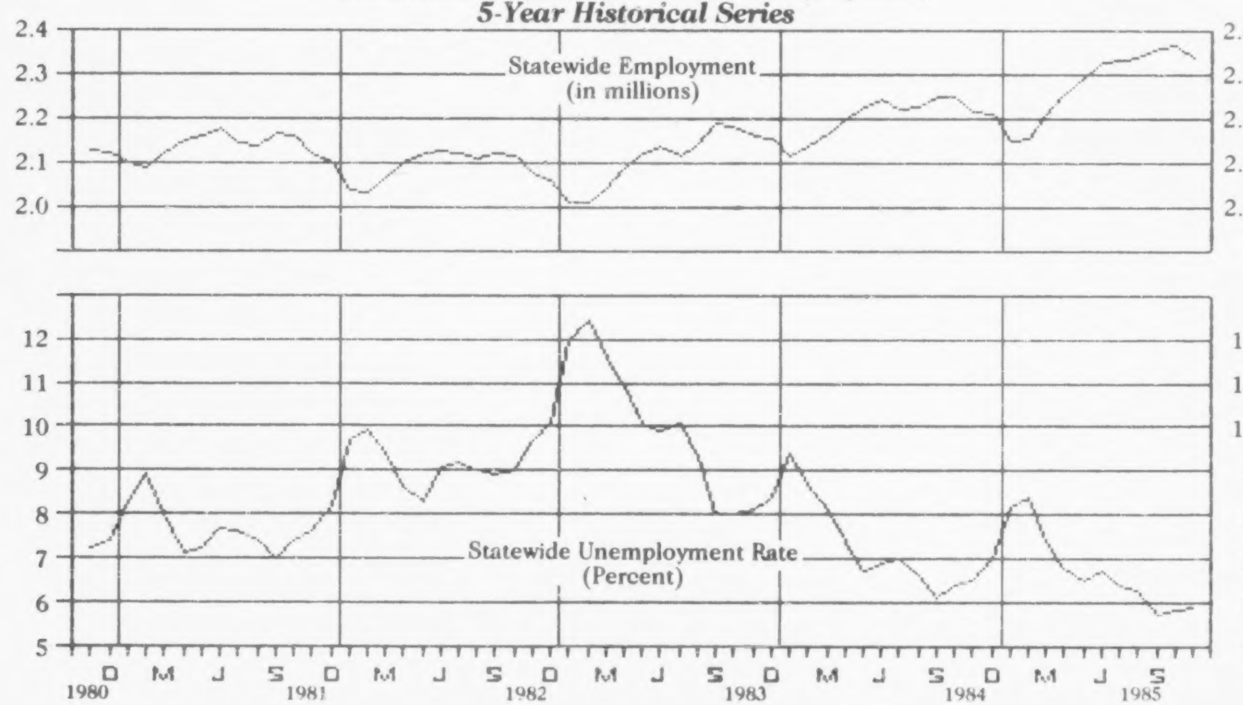

Table 1
MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - NOV 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - OCT 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - NOV 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2489861	2343019	146842	5.9	2515745	2370281	145464	5.8	2373748	2220251	153497	6.5
ST. LOUIS MSA	1198708	1115562	83146	6.9	1201887	1117381	84506	7.0	1170031	1087788	82243	7.0
KANSAS CITY MSA	762203	725686	36517	4.8	763607	728761	34846	4.6	739274	702222	37052	5.0
SPRINGFIELD MSA	122176	116708	5468	4.5	122594	117084	5510	4.5	118002	112239	5763	4.9
COLUMBIA MSA	65300	62729	2571	3.9	65506	63143	2363	3.6	60666	58606	2060	3.4
JOPLIN MSA	64997	61361	3636	5.6	65241	61593	3648	5.6	58579	55007	3572	6.1
ST. JOSEPH MSA	40582	37987	2595	6.4	41046	38360	2686	6.5	42393	39137	3256	7.7
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	16523	15755	768	4.6	16807	16137	670	4.0	15949	15019	930	5.8
ANDREW	6768	6408	360	5.3	6984	6678	306	4.4	6160	5801	359	5.8
ATCHISON	4206	4022	184	4.4	4361	4233	128	2.9	4078	3834	244	6.0
AUDRAIN	11620	10945	675	5.8	12046	11325	721	6.0	11074	10318	756	6.8
BARRY	12782	12029	753	5.9	12972	12353	619	4.8	11154	10353	801	7.2
BARTON	5234	5039	195	3.7	5471	5282	189	3.5	4982	4718	264	5.3
BATES	7909	7484	425	5.4	8244	7846	398	4.8	7300	6893	407	5.6
BENTON	5685	5210	475	8.4	5863	5494	369	6.3	5445	5069	376	6.9
BOLLINGER	2935	2571	364	12.4	3192	2782	410	12.8	3111	2660	451	14.5
BUTLER	17944	16532	1412	7.9	18014	16608	1406	7.8	16806	15279	1527	9.1
CALDWELL	3620	3376	244	6.7	3708	3538	170	4.6	3530	3346	184	5.2
CALLAWAY	19081	18083	998	5.2	19349	18394	955	4.9	18065	16843	1222	6.8
CAMDEN	15459	14506	953	6.2	16262	15498	764	4.7	12607	11611	996	7.9
CAPE GIRARDEAU	35168	33762	1406	4.0	35323	33861	1462	4.1	31326	29902	1424	4.5
CARROLL	4733	4407	326	6.9	5070	4770	300	5.9	4507	4232	275	6.1
CARTER	2798	2443	355	12.7	3090	2698	392	12.7	2686	2289	397	14.8
CEDAR	4672	4382	290	6.2	4849	4532	317	6.5	4320	4025	295	6.8
CHARITON	5173	4788	385	7.4	5442	5074	368	6.8	4842	4503	339	7.0
CLARK	3617	3404	213	5.9	3891	3591	300	7.7	3263	2921	342	10.5
CLINTON	7492	7066	426	5.7	7683	7346	337	4.4	7150	6689	461	6.4
COLE/OSAGE LMA	40616	38526	2090	5.1	40583	38591	1992	4.9	36905	34750	2155	5.8
COOPER	7397	6898	499	6.7	7614	7242	372	4.9	6712	6318	394	5.9
CRAWFORD	7965	7342	623	7.8	7893	7336	557	7.1	7123	6444	679	9.5
DADE	3872	3687	185	4.8	4072	3866	206	5.1	3764	3610	154	4.1
DALLAS	5081	4704	377	7.4	5336	4964	372	7.0	4567	4216	351	7.7
DAVIESS	3225	3019	206	6.4	3383	3213	170	5.0	2979	2772	207	6.9
DEKALB	3849	3606	243	6.3	3992	3809	183	4.6	3437	3247	190	5.5
DENT	6174	5560	614	9.9	6371	5861	510	8.0	6035	5412	623	10.3
DOUGLAS	4734	4243	491	10.4	5070	4495	575	11.3	4427	3766	661	14.9
DUNKLIN	13509	12297	1212	9.0	13822	12567	1255	9.1	12701	11321	1380	10.9
GASCONADE	7683	7348	335	4.4	7716	7442	274	3.6	7038	6604	434	6.2
GENTRY	3978	3824	154	3.9	4112	4004	108	2.6	3943	3784	159	4.0
GRUNDY	5462	5138	324	5.9	5524	5199	325	5.9	5090	4780	310	6.1
HARRISON	5393	5122	271	5.0	5650	5417	233	4.1	4898	4659	239	4.9
HENRY	10109	9441	668	6.6	10378	9755	623	6.0	9537	9003	534	5.6
HICKORY	2884	2706	178	6.2	2954	2795	159	5.4	2492	2305	187	7.5
HOLT	3501	3335	166	4.7	3649	3550	99	2.7	3324	3195	129	3.9
HOWARD	4977	4700	277	5.6	5136	4893	243	4.7	4477	4230	247	5.5
HOWELL	13739	12648	1091	7.9	13823	12787	1036	7.5	13292	12099	1193	9.0
IRON	3678	3226	452	12.3	3794	3298	496	13.1	4384	3586	798	18.2
JOHNSON	17664	16961	703	4.0	17828	17098	730	4.1	16702	16084	618	3.7
KNOX	2390	2238	152	6.4	2570	2424	146	5.7	2282	2133	149	6.5
LACLEDE	12577	11490	1087	8.6	12744	11622	1122	8.8	11153	10093	1060	9.5
LAWRENCE	13511	12700	811	6.0	13651	12854	797	5.8	12277	11282	995	8.1

Table 1
MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - NOV 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - OCT 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - NOV 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	6030	5533	497	8.2	6218	5732	486	7.8	5357	4953	404	7.5
LINCOLN	11549	10745	804	7.0	11942	11192	750	6.3	10307	9534	773	7.5
LINN	7927	7287	640	8.1	8274	7560	714	8.6	7480	6754	726	9.7
LIVINGSTON	7039	6629	410	5.8	7247	6894	353	4.9	6606	6124	482	7.3
MACON	7329	6793	536	7.3	7559	7047	512	6.8	6986	6532	454	6.5
MADISON	3948	3571	377	9.5	3991	3619	372	9.3	3790	3434	356	9.4
MARIES	3229	2988	241	7.5	3347	3102	245	7.3	2481	2256	225	9.1
MARION/RALLS LMA	18991	17617	1374	7.2	19250	17979	1271	6.6	17897	16679	1218	6.8
MCDONALD	5882	5402	480	8.2	6121	5630	491	8.0	5453	5086	367	6.7
MERCER	1696	1594	102	6.0	1850	1756	94	5.1	1685	1602	83	4.9
MILLER	11403	10374	1029	9.0	11736	10845	891	7.6	10172	8962	1210	11.9
MISSISSIPPI	7213	6544	669	9.3	7326	6570	756	10.3	6527	5838	689	10.6
MONITEAU	5252	4561	691	13.2	5115	4517	598	11.7	4756	4295	461	9.7
MONROE	4846	4591	255	5.3	5054	4871	183	3.6	4406	4196	210	4.8
MONTGOMERY	5260	4853	407	7.7	5436	5062	374	6.9	5076	4679	397	7.8
MORGAN	5982	5350	632	10.6	6346	5651	695	11.0	5568	4780	788	14.2
NEW MADRID	12064	11170	894	7.4	12385	11511	874	7.1	10994	10156	838	7.6
NODAWAY	11607	11077	530	4.6	11964	11488	476	4.0	10595	10198	397	3.7
OREGON	2985	2704	281	9.4	3240	2929	311	9.6	3146	2734	412	13.1
OZARK	4186	3940	246	5.9	4478	4246	232	5.2	4079	3703	376	9.2
PEMISCOT	8643	7961	682	7.9	8948	8234	714	8.0	8016	7295	721	9.0
PERRY	7647	7209	438	5.7	7738	7340	398	5.1	7014	6525	489	7.0
PETTIS	18759	17544	1215	6.5	18928	17736	1192	6.3	16361	15203	1158	7.1
PHELPS	16893	15892	1001	5.9	16866	15975	891	5.3	15833	14805	1028	6.5
PIKE	7277	6722	555	7.6	7346	6834	512	7.0	6801	6165	636	9.4
POLK	9799	9247	552	5.6	9995	9396	599	6.0	8848	8381	467	5.3
PULASKI	10213	9522	691	6.8	10176	9481	695	6.8	8876	8183	693	7.8
PUTNAM	2850	2715	135	4.7	3049	2926	123	4.0	2886	2714	172	6.0
RANDOLPH	12731	11887	844	6.6	12947	12173	774	6.0	11347	10641	706	6.2
REYNOLDS	2248	1888	360	16.0	2239	1938	301	13.4	2224	1909	315	14.2
RIPLEY	3686	3316	370	10.0	3736	3343	393	10.5	3251	2919	332	10.2
SALINE	14888	14056	832	5.6	14841	14281	560	3.8	13505	12861	644	4.8
SCOTLAND	2452	2325	127	5.2	2697	2576	121	4.5	2317	2172	145	6.3
SCOTT	18062	16688	1374	7.6	18357	16990	1367	7.4	16945	15485	1460	8.6
SHANNON	2729	2206	523	19.2	2664	2266	398	14.9	3111	2569	542	17.4
SHELBY	3467	3263	204	5.9	3611	3477	134	3.7	3100	2976	124	4.0
ST. CLAIR	3904	3710	194	5.0	4014	3839	175	4.4	3674	3459	215	5.9
ST. FRANCOIS	20462	18708	1754	8.6	20596	18761	1835	8.9	19501	17685	1816	9.3
STE. GENEVIEVE	6592	6096	496	7.5	6653	6159	494	7.4	5625	5178	447	7.9
STODDARD	13748	12737	1011	7.4	13921	12896	1025	7.4	12288	11312	976	7.9
STONE	8247	7160	1087	13.2	10097	9482	615	6.1	7133	6036	1097	15.4
SULLIVAN	3536	3330	206	5.8	3666	3491	175	4.8	3337	3127	210	6.3
TANEY	15857	14341	1516	9.6	17493	16748	745	4.3	14042	12435	1607	11.4
TEXAS	8008	7099	909	11.4	8058	7132	926	11.5	7955	6860	1095	13.8
VERNON	10236	9745	491	4.8	10581	10131	450	4.3	9345	8843	502	5.4
WARREN	7772	7297	475	6.1	7678	7307	371	4.8	6497	6041	456	7.0
WASHINGTON	4904	4140	764	15.6	5215	4415	800	15.3	4551	3635	916	20.1
WAYNE	4441	3951	490	11.0	4448	3954	494	11.1	4328	3705	623	14.4
WEBSTER	8814	8098	716	8.1	9138	8422	716	7.8	7690	7006	684	8.9
WORTH	1268	1184	84	6.6	1335	1291	44	3.3	1101	1004	97	8.8
WRIGHT	7677	7160	517	6.7	8006	7360	646	8.1	7120	6481	639	9.0

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
November, 1985

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2043.1	2051.0	2041.8									
Total Manufacturing	425.4	429.1	432.9	INA	INA	381.75	INA	INA	40.1	INA	INA	9.52
Durable Goods	242.2	246.1	248.4	INA	INA	420.25	INA	INA	41.0	INA	INA	10.25
Lumber & Wood Products	10.5	10.6	10.7	247.04	246.93	238.08	39.4	39.7	38.4	6.27	6.22	6.20
Furniture & Fixtures	11.1	11.1	11.0	310.16	317.10	325.69	41.3	42.0	43.6	7.51	7.55	7.47
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.5	10.6	11.1	413.17	423.55	410.94	39.2	40.3	39.4	10.54	10.51	10.43
Cement, Hydraulic	0.9	1.0	1.0	538.99	545.10	484.22	39.4	39.5	35.5	13.68	13.80	13.64
Structural Clay Prod.	2.1	2.2	2.3	462.72	474.80	435.46	38.4	39.6	37.8	12.05	11.99	11.52
Primary Metal Industries	12.4	12.7	13.6	429.34	431.33	417.09	40.2	40.5	39.2	10.68	10.65	10.64
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.8	1.9	2.1	369.72	378.22	341.33	39.5	41.2	38.7	9.36	9.18	8.82
Nonferrous Foundries	3.2	3.2	3.1	330.37	342.63	351.04	41.4	42.3	44.1	7.98	8.10	7.96
Fabricated Metal Products	28.5	28.7	27.9	393.54	390.29	376.27	41.6	41.3	40.2	9.46	9.45	9.36
Fabricated Structural Metal Prod.	11.5	11.4	10.5	393.02	394.15	351.84	41.9	42.2	39.4	9.38	9.34	8.93
Machinery Exc. Electrical	31.6	31.7	31.8	417.38	413.91	398.79	40.8	40.9	40.1	10.23	10.12	9.92
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	51.4	51.5	51.3	384.96	374.77	371.32	40.1	39.7	40.1	9.60	9.44	9.26
Transportation Equipment	68.0	70.8	72.3	INA	INA	583.87	INA	INA	43.9	INA	INA	13.30
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	27.7	30.6	33.7	609.87	615.39	615.90	43.1	43.8	46.1	14.15	14.05	13.36
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.5	11.5	11.8	302.25	302.65	324.80	40.3	40.3	40.0	7.50	7.51	8.12
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	6.9	6.9	7.1	244.20	246.77	263.59	38.7	38.2	39.4	6.31	6.46	6.69
Nondurable Goods	183.2	183.0	184.4	345.63	340.73	333.45	39.5	39.3	39.0	8.75	8.67	8.55
Food & Kindred Products	45.0	45.3	44.5	410.48	410.31	396.47	42.1	42.3	41.0	9.75	9.70	9.67
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	12.5	12.5	11.7	286.30	283.39	280.68	40.9	40.6	39.7	7.00	6.98	7.07
Dairy Products	6.2	6.2	6.3	445.98	444.77	398.27	44.2	44.7	42.1	10.09	9.95	9.46
Grain Mill Products	7.1	7.2	7.1	469.22	477.29	472.61	45.6	44.9	45.4	10.29	10.63	10.41
Bakery Products	5.4	5.4	5.3	386.12	384.54	393.95	39.4	39.0	38.1	9.80	9.86	10.34
Beverages	10.0	10.0	9.9	586.37	602.21	552.24	38.2	40.8	39.0	15.35	14.76	14.16

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Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred	3.8	4.0	4.2	457.04	423.15	417.78	46.4	45.5	42.2	9.85	9.30	9.90
Textile & Apparel	23.6	23.8	25.1	194.66	194.86	190.97	35.2	35.3	35.3	5.53	5.52	5.41
Paper & Allied Products	13.7	13.4	12.9	377.74	378.10	380.97	40.1	40.7	41.5	9.42	9.29	9.18
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	6.9	6.9	6.6	378.54	392.50	366.83	40.1	41.8	40.4	9.44	9.39	9.08
Printing & Publishing	40.0	40.0	40.0	393.79	377.64	373.98	39.3	38.3	38.2	10.02	9.86	9.79
Commercial Printing	13.0	12.9	12.8	442.21	429.20	438.06	41.6	40.2	40.3	10.63	10.65	10.87
Chemicals & Allied	29.5	29.6	29.1	467.40	462.26	468.68	41.0	40.8	42.3	11.40	11.33	11.08
Leather & Leather Products	18.0	17.7	19.5	198.56	192.60	186.69	36.5	35.8	34.7	5.44	5.38	5.38
Footwear Exc. Rubber	14.5	14.3	15.6	191.52	186.38	182.88	36.0	35.5	34.9	5.32	5.25	5.24
Total Nonmanufacturing	1617.7	1621.9	1608.9									
Mining	6.3	6.4	5.9									
Construction	83.1	85.4	85.1									
Transportation & Public Util.	132.8	133.4	135.4									
Railroad Transportation	12.5	12.5	13.4									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	68.3	68.7	69.6									
Communications	51.9	52.1	52.3									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	492.9	491.3	488.8									
Wholesale Trade	130.3	130.3	131.9									
Retail Trade	362.6	361.0	358.0									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	114.6	115.3	113.6									
Services	442.2	446.2	434.3									
Government	345.8	343.9	345.8									
Federal Government	70.1	69.7	68.7									
State & Local Government	275.7	274.2	277.1									

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rate decreased by a statistically insignificant one-tenth of a percentage point to 7 percent. Total civilian employment changed little in November, remaining near the 107.9 million mark, while nonfarm payrolls increased by 180,000 jobs. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that both employment measures have increased by about a million in the past four months. In the past year, total civilian employment grew by about 2 million while payroll employment was up by about 3 million, all in the nonmanufacturing industries. Since the recession ended in late 1982, these two employment measures have grown by about 9 and 10 million, respectively.

Manufacturing employment has finally begun to look up slightly after decreasing during most of the year. Employment was about 100,000 higher in November than in September, and the factory workweek remained at a high 40.7 hours, suggesting that manufacturers may add more workers to their payrolls in upcoming months.

Outlook

Because of uncertainties involving economic policy, there seems to be less of a consensus about the economic outlook than at some times. Many economic forecasters expect relatively slow growth early in 1986 with a slight increase later in the year. A few forecasters expect a downturn in 1986, but they seem to be a relatively small minority. There will probably be little underlying change in Missouri labor market conditions in the upcoming months, with seasonal decreases in employment and increases in unemployment dominating conditions into February.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments Missouri — November, 1985

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,489,800	2,515,800	2,373,800	-26,000	116,000
Total Employed	2,343,000	2,370,300	2,220,300	-27,300	112,700
Total Unemployed	146,800	145,500	153,500	1,300	-6,700
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	5.9	5.8	6.5	0.1	-0.6
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	2,043,100	2,051,000	2,041,800	-7,900	1,300
Manufacturing	425,400	429,200	432,900	-3,800	-7,500
Durable Goods	242,200	246,100	248,400	-3,900	-6,200
Nondurable Goods	183,200	183,000	184,400	-4,100	-1,200
Nonmanufacturing	1,617,700	1,621,800	1,608,900	-4,100	8,800
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	8,414	7,689	8,549	725	-135
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	39,506	39,174	42,097	332	-2,591
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.4	1.7	1.3	0.7	1.1
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	2,751	3,041	3,403	-290	-652
Amount of Benefits Paid	$14,265,869	$14,904,955	$13,096,821	-$639,086	$1,169,048
State U.I.	13,960,342	14,573,662	12,784,657	-613,320	1,175,685
UCFE	151,293	175,341	147,689	-24,048	3,604
UCX	154,233	155,951	164,475	-1,718	-10,242

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

November, 1985

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Despite the unexpectedly good rebound in Retail Trade employment, after two consecutive months of declines, the unemployment rate inched up by two tenths of a percentage point to the November 1985 rate of 4.8 per cent of the labor force. Losses in Services and Construction and non-payroll jobs contributed to the increase in the number of jobless persons by 1,700 persons over-the-month. Also over-the-month, the civilian labor force continued to shrink, dropping by 1,400 persons. Compared to year ago figures, the number of unemployed was lower by only 600 persons. However, the civilian labor force topped last year's level by 22,900 persons and contributed to a rise in the number of employed by 23,500. Although civilian employment was up over the year-ago figures, net over-the-month civilian employment was up over the year-ago figures, net over-the-month civilian employment fell by 3,100 persons. Similarly, payroll employment was virturally unchanged with a net gain of only 300 new payroll jobs. Over-the-year payroll employment fared slightly better with 2,600 more jobs in November 1984.

Wage and salaried employment in November 1985 was 678,900, up by 300 from the October 1985 total of 678,600. Despite the slightly better than average employment gains in Retail Trade as retailers hired on an extra 2,400 workers for holiday shoppers, overall gains in payroll jobs were minimal. The month marked the start of the cycle of hiring of tax processors by the Federal Government. Over-the-month 600 workers were added in Federal Government. State and Local Government gained 200 workers while Transportation Equipment and Machinery also were up slightly. Losses continued in Services and Construction. Services employment fell by 1,800 and Construction posted losses of 800 jobs. Other industries showing minor losses over-the-month were Wholesale Trade, Fabricated Metals, Stone, Clay and Glass and Food and Kindred.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 3,600 jobs from November 1984 to November 1985. Durable Goods Manufacturing gained 700 jobs over-the-year, while Nondurable Goods Manufacturing gained 300 jobs. Nonmanufacturing gained 2,600 jobs. Overall, Nonmanufacturing continued to make gains over year ago levels at a slightly slower rate than at any other time over-the-year. With the exception of State and Local Government, which gained 900 jobs, most industries within Nonmanufacturing either lost jobs or gained fewer jobs over-the-year ago levels than were gained last month. Construction was down by 700 jobs over the 12-month period. Transportation, Communications and Utilities recorded 300 fewer jobs. Within Trade, Wholesale Trade had 100 fewer jobs while Retail Trade continued its ninth consecutive month of losses over 1984 levels, with another 1,100 jobs lost from year ago. Services employment was up over-the-year but, with 1,800 new jobs, made its smallest advance of the year. State and Local Government posted 1,300 more jobs at this time than in 1984. Durable Goods Manufacturing made its best showing, relative to year ago levels, in November 1985 than in the previous nine months, with 700 new jobs. Fabricated Metals and Transportation Equipment topped the list of gainers with 500 new jobs each. Other gains were recorded in Electrical Equipment, Machinery and Furniture and Fixtures. Machinery's gain of 100 jobs in November marked the first month of 1985 that employment topped 1984 levels. Losses were recorded in Primary Metals, down by 400, and Stone, Clay and Glass, down by 100. Within Nondurable Goods Manufacturing, gains were posted in Chemicals, up by 400, and other Nondurables, up by 200. Minor losses were recorded in all remaining Nondurable Manufacturing industries.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 36,500 in November 1985 for 4.8 per cent of the labor force, compared to 34,800 in October 1985 for 4.6 per cent of the labor force and 37,100 in November 1984 for 5.0 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

Despite a relatively sluggish year in Retail Trade compared to 1984, December 1985 may repeat November 1985 with much better than average employment increases in Retail Trade. Additional gains are expected in Federal Government as the hiring of tax processors continues. Overall Government employment may decline as Area schools temporarily close for a semester break. An early winter, also may contribute to larger than usual losses in Construction and Services. Little overall change is expected in Manufacturing. The unemployment is expected to rise slightly as 1985 ends. Unemployment is expected to be 4.9 per cent of the labor force in December 1985, compared to 4.8 per cent in November 1985 and 5.3 per cent in December 1984.

The Area's unemployment rate is expected to rise by at least half a point in January 1986. As retailers begin laying off temporary workers, the number of jobless should increase by over 4,000. Substantial losses will continue in Construction and Services. Only minor changes are anticipated in Manufacturing. The only employment increase expected will be in Government as the seasonal hiring of federal tax processors continue. Unemployment is expected to be 5.4 per cent of the labor force in January 1986, compared to 6.0 per cent in January 1985.

Kansas City Area-Missouri Job Service Statistics

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 29,446 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of November 1985. Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics		Per Cent
Age:	Under 22	16.8
	22-44	68.0
	45 and over	15.2
Sex:	Male	59.9
	Female	40.1
Racial or Ethnic Group		
	Black	31.9
	Other Non-White	1.0
	Hispanic	2.1

Miscellaneous Characteristics	Per Cent
Unemployment Insurance Claimants	45.3
Veterans	20.7
Handicapped	2.3

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated November 30, 1985.

Job Placements

During November 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 7,985 and job placements totaled 2,495. There were 1,517 veteran referrals in November 1985, with 288 veteran placements. During October 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 11,244 and job placements totaled 4,425. There were 2,048 veteran referrals in October 1985, with 418 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated November 30, 1985.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed in the Kansas City Area (Missouri Side Only)
November 1985

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	18.1	16.9	17.6
25-34	41.4	35.8	38.9
35-44	21.1	24.1	22.4
45-54	11.7	14.3	12.8
55-64	7.0	7.8	7.3
65 and over	0.6	1.1	0.8
Unreported	0.1	0.0	0.2

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	0.5
Mining	0.4
Construction	10.4
Manufacturing	31.7
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	7.0
Wholesale & Retail Trade	16.5
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	3.3
Services	27.2
All Other	2.9
Information not available	0.1

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	12.6
Clerical	17.1
Sales	4.0
Services	12.6
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	0.6
Processing	2.1
Machine Trades	7.0
Benchwork	9.9
Structural Work	8.4
Miscellaneous	14.6
Information not available	11.1

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 6,665; 3,713 were male and 2,951 were female.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1984)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas

Month and Year of Current: November, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	678,900	678,600	675,300	+300	+3,600
Total Manufacturing	120,800	121,000	119,800	-200	+1,000
Durable Goods	68,300	68,400	67,600	-100	+700
Lumber & Furniture	3,500	3,500	3,400	0	+100
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,700	3,800	3,800	-100	-100
Primary Metal Industries	3,600	3,600	4,000	0	-400
Fabricated Metal Products	9,800	10,000	9,300	-200	+500
Machinery Except Electrical	8,000	7,900	7,900	+100	+100
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	20,900	20,900	20,700	0	+200
Transportation Equipment	15,200	15,100	14,700	+100	+500
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(14,900)	(14,900)	(14,500)	(0)	(+400)
Other Durable Goods	3,600	3,600	3,800	0	-200
Nondurable Goods	52,500	52,600	52,200	-100	+300
Food & Kindred Products	9,900	10,000	10,000	-100	-100
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,500	2,500	2,600	0	-100
Paper & Allied Products	5,400	5,400	5,400	0	0
Printing & Publishing	19,800	19,800	19,900	0	-100
Chemicals & Allied Products	9,100	9,100	8,700	0	+400
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	5,200	5,200	5,000	0	+200
Total Nonmanufacturing	558,100	557,600	555,500	+500	+2,600
Mining & Quarrying	800	800	700	0	+100
Construction	28,400	29,200	29,100	-800	-700
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	51,800	51,800	52,100	0	-300
Wholesale & Retail Trade	173,000	170,700	174,200	+2,300	-1,200
Wholesale Trade	(53,400)	(53,500)	(53,500)	(-100)	(-100)
Retail Trade	(119,600)	(117,200)	(120,700)	(+2,400)	(-1,100)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	50,400	50,400	149,700	0	+700
Services	148,900	150,700	147,100	-1,800	+1,800
Government	104,800	104,000	102,600	+800	+2,200
Federal Government	(29,000)	(28,400)	(28,100)	(+600)	(+900)
State & Local Government	(75,800)	(75,600)	(74,500)	(+200)	(+1,300)
In Labor-Management Disputes	500	500	100	0	+400

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data: November, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$443.19	$438.93	$438.61	40.4	40.2	41.3	$10.97	$10.92	$10.62
Durable Goods	471.14	466.00	471.55	40.2	40.0	41.4	11.72	11.65	11.39
Lumber & Furniture	291.85	295.16	322.40	38.3	37.6	40.3	7.62	7.85	8.00
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	503.30	485.85	503.10	40.2	38.9	44.8	12.52	12.49	11.23
Primary Metal Industries	415.16	412.56	426.21	38.8	38.2	39.5	10.70	10.80	10.79
Fabricated Metal Products	385.12	390.86	372.19	40.2	41.1	40.9	9.58	9.51	9.10
Machinery Exc. Electrical	418.72	408.43	409.62	40.3	40.2	39.5	10.39	10.16	10.37
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	486.74	472.72	483.48	40.8	40.3	42.9	11.93	11.73	11.27
Transportation Equipment	598.04	598.44	598.42	40.6	40.6	41.1	14.73	14.74	14.56
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(601.29)	(601.69)	(603.17)	(40.6)	(40.6)	(41.2)	(14.81)	(14.82)	(14.64)
Other Durable Goods	266.54	256.26	257.80	37.7	36.4	37.8	7.07	7.04	6.82
Nondurable Goods	399.75	395.60	384.81	41.0	40.7	41.2	9.75	9.72	9.34
Food & Kindred Products	423.24	431.27	428.71	43.1	43.3	42.7	9.82	9.96	10.04
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	189.84	184.90	185.86	33.9	32.9	32.9	5.60	5.62	5.64
*Paper & Allied Products	405.92	391.11	368.26	43.0	42.1	41.1	9.44	9.24	8.96
Printing & Publishing	410.51	407.21	389.46	37.8	37.6	39.3	10.86	10.82	9.91
Chemicals & Allied Products	533.90	518.43	384.10	45.4	44.5	44.7	11.76	11.65	10.83
Petroleum & Coal Products	373.07	372.94	404.28	38.5	37.9	43.1	9.69	9.84	9.38
Other Nondurable Goods	270.55	266.26	306.87	40.2	40.1	43.1	6.73	6.64	7.13

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

November, 1985

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate declined from 7.0% in October to 6.9% in November. The number of unemployed declined by 1400 while total employment was down by 1800. The November 6.9% rate is the lowest unemployment rate registered in the St. Louis area since December, 1979 when it was 6.0%, an early month of the most recent recession. Over the month, most major industries registered normal seasonal variations. The motor vehicles industry was the only sector affected by a major labor dispute in November. Over the year, unemployment rose by 900 and employment added 27,800 workers. The unemployment rate in November 1984 was 7.0%. There were 3400 labor disputants in November, 300 in October, and 500 in November, 1984.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment declined by 3400 over the month. Motor vehicles, affected by a strike at one assembly plant, was down 3000. Small seasonal variations occurred in lumber, stone, food and apparel. Over the year, manufacturing is down 2200. Other than the strike affected motor vehicles sector, the only industries reporting gains were aircraft, stone & electrical equipment. All other manufacturing sectors registered declining or level employment.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing employment increased by 2300 over the month. Retail trade added 2600 workers in preparation of the holiday buying season. Another seasonal increase is expected in this industry when December information is available. Small seasonal employment increases at area schools caused the service (private) and government (state & local) sectors to register gains. Seasonal declines were reported by construction, transportation, and real estate. Over the year, nonmanufacturing has added 8500 workers. Significant gains continue to be reported in services, retail trade, finance and federal government employment.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

State UI continued claimants in the MSA were up 2300 in November from October. In the Missouri portion of the MSA they were up 1100 and in the Illinois portion they were up 1200.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
INA	9	2	0	2
Agriculture	22	24	26	40
Mining	27	15	25	27
Construction	919	949	882	1566
Manufacturing Total	5869	3434	3056	3716
Food	290	356	338	488
Textile	22	17	20	23
Apparel	184	216	195	152
Lumber	23	20	20	37
Furniture	120	98	69	89
Paper	85	98	85	90
Printing	131	128	143	163
Chemicals	277	274	284	323
Petroleum	12	21	23	21
Rubber	123	108	82	114
Leather	234	224	178	174
Stone	44	52	28	77
Primary Metal	137	128	100	154
Fabricated Metal	403	414	423	510
Machinery	90	93	89	106
Electrtical Machinery	276	252	317	396
Transportation Equip.	2844	393	187	234
Instruments	17	16	20	31
Miscellaneous	554	524	453	541
Public Utilities	923	627	490	752
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2051	1904	1607	2252
Finance	321	307	261	318
Services	5282	5091	4308	5526
All Other	251	277	247	289
TOTAL	15674	12630	10902	14488

Of the 14,488 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in November, 1985, 58.7 percent were male and 41.3 percent were female.

The occupational distribution of the intrastate Missouri resident claimant is:

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1842	1720	1546	1855
Clerical	2209	2282	1931	2386
Sales	551	547	470	634
Farm, Fish & Forest	70	73	67	103
Processing	219	242	236	316
Machine Trades	1009	968	865	1129
Bench Work	755	752	736	762
Structural Work	1580	1186	1006	1445
Misc. Work	1729	1538	1333	1904
Domestic	40	38	38	51
Other Services	2049	1862	1569	2052
INA	3621	1422	1105	1851
TOTAL	15674	12630	10902	14488

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1985 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Min.	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	45.5	16.2	19.3	41.7	2.2
Placements, %	42.8	12.0	40.3	40.7	2.1

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1986 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	3.0	1.4
Clerical	18.1	11.4
Sales	10.7	11.6
Processing	1.3	1.6
Machine Trades	3.9	3.6
Bench Work	5.5	4.4
Structural Work	14.6	18.5
Motor Freight & Trans.	4.0	3.2
Packaging & Material Handling	8.8	11.8
Domestic	0.9	0.8
Other Services	28.1	30.7
Other Occupations	1.1	1.0

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in December, 1985 is expected to be 7.2%.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area **Month and Year of Current: November, 1985**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,064,200	1,065,300	1,057,900	-1,100	+6,300
Percent Change				-(0.1)	+(0.6)
Manufacturing	225,900	229,300	228,100	-3,400	-2,200
Durable Goods	143,700	147,000	143,900	-3,300	-200
Lumber & Furniture	5,300	5,400	4,800	-100	+500
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,400	3,500	3,700	-100	-300
Primary Metal Industries	14,100	14,100	15,300	0	-1,200
Fabricated Metal Products	17,200	17,300	17,300	-100	-100
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,500	18,700	18,700	-200	-200
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,400	15,300	15,100	+100	+300
Transportation Equipment	56,500	59,400	55,700	-2,900	+800
Motor Vehicles	18,700	21,700	19,100	-3,000	-400
Aircraft & Parts	37,100	37,000	35,600	+100	+1,500
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	13,300	13,300	13,300	0	0
Nondurable Goods	82,200	82,300	84,200	-100	-2,000
Food & Kindred Products	21,100	21,300	21,400	-200	-300
Meat Products	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	0
Beverages	8,400	8,400	8,500	0	-100
Textiles & Apparel	6,600	6,500	6,700	+100	-100
Paper & Paper Products	5,700	5,700	5,800	0	-100
Printing & Publishing	16,300	16,300	16,600	0	-300
Chemical & Allied Products	20,500	20,500	20,500	0	0
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0
Leather & Leather Products	4,700	4,600	5,600	-100	-500
Other Nondurable Goods	4,900	5,000	5,600	-100	-700
Nonmanufacturing	838,300	836,000	829,800	+2,300	+8,500
Mining	3,700	3,700	3,600	0	+100
Construction	52,000	52,500	53,600	-500	-1,600
Transportation & Public Utilities	73,100	73,900	74,000	-800	-900
Railroads	6,900	6,900	7,500	0	-600
Transportation, Except Railroads	38,500	39,400	39,400	-900	-900
Communications & Public Utilities	27,700	27,600	27,100	+100	+600
Wholesale & Retail Trade	253,500	250,700	251,500	+2,800	+2,000
Wholesale Trade	64,900	64,700	65,400	+200	-500
Retail Trade	188,600	186,000	186,100	+2,600	+2,500
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	64,300	64,500	62,700	-200	+1,600
Service, Except Domestic	253,900	253,700	245,500	+200	+8,400
Total Government	137,800	137,000	138,900	+800	-1,100
Total Federal Government	38,500	38,500	37,500	0	+1,000
Total State & Local Government	99,300	98,500	101,400	+800	-2,100
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	3,400	300	500	+3,100	+2,900

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: **St. Louis Metropolitan Area** **Month and Year of Current Data:** **November, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	INA	INA	$443.48	INA	INA	40.5	INA	INA	$10.95
Durable Goods	INA	INA	468.12	INA	INA	41.5	INA	INA	11.28
Lumber & Furniture	340.16	340.29	364.42	39.6	39.8	43.8	8.59	8.55	8.32
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	388.19	463.43	422.14	36.9	42.4	39.6	10.52	10.93	10.66
Primary Metal Industries	489.54	481.16	446.99	41.0	40.4	38.6	11.94	11.91	11.58
Fabricated Metal Products	429.48	426.36	409.64	41.9	41.8	40.2	10.25	10.20	10.19
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	461.96	447.92	452.65	41.1	40.1	41.3	11.24	11.17	10.96
Elect & Electronic Equip.	318.67	318.16	324.92	39.1	38.8	39.1	8.15	8.20	8.31
Transportation Equipment	INA	INA	602.55	INA	INA	44.6	INA	INA	13.51
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	305.33	312.83	299.93	38.6	39.3	38.7	7.91	7.96	7.75
Nondurable Goods	421.74	413.17	401.84	39.9	39.5	38.9	10.57	10.46	10.33
Food & Kindred Products	487.12	496.94	484.00	39.7	40.5	40.0	12.27	12.27	12.10
Textiles & Apparel	217.44	213.13	215.52	36.0	35.7	35.8	6.04	5.97	6.02
Paper & Paper Products	428.22	429.84	435.87	40.9	42.1	42.4	10.47	10.21	10.28
Printing & Publishing	417.37	382.13	392.62	39.3	37.5	36.9	10.62	10.19	10.64
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	497.96	490.81	451.44	42.2	41.7	39.6	11.80	11.77	11.40
Petroleum & Coal Products	629.40	628.97	604.20	42.1	42.1	42.4	14.95	14.94	14.25
Leather & Leather Products	191.51	187.41	191.30	35.4	34.9	35.1	5.41	5.37	5.45
Other Nondurable Goods	329.38	313.56	311.25	41.8	40.2	39.7	7.88	7.80	7.84

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

November, 1985

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA labor force decreased from 122,600 in October to 122,200 in November. Approximately 5,500 persons were unemployed in November, the same as in October. The rate of unemployment was estimated to be 4.5 percent of the labor force for both October and November.

During November 1984, there were 5,800 workers unemployed and the rate of unemployment was calculated at 4.9 percent of the labor force.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Payrolled employment rose 100 from October to reach 98,100 in November. Manufacturing jobs, estimated at 18,800, remained at the October level. Nonmanufacturing industries recording significant changes in employment from October include: construction, down 200; services, up 200; and government, up 100. The increase in government occurred in the state and local segment.

Since November 1984, the number of payrolled jobs increased by 1,400. This is the net result of a 700 decrease in manufacturing employment and a jump of 2,100 jobs in the nonmanufacturing sector. The most significant gains during the 12-month period took place in construction, trade and services.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers rose from $8.84 in October to $8.91 in November. The increase results from higher hourly earnings because of piece work or higher incentive pay and overtime worked at premium pay.

During November 1984, average hourly wages amounted

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current: November, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	98,100	98,000	96,700	+100	+1,400
Manufacturing	18,800	18,800	19,500	0	-700
Durable Goods	9,500	9,600	10,400	-100	-900
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	1,000	1,000	900	0	+100
Other Durable Goods	8,500	8,600	9,500	-100	-1,000
Nondurable Goods	9,300	9,200	9,100	+100	+200
Food Processing	3,900	3,800	3,900	+100	0
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,800	3,800	3,600	0	+200
Nonmanufacturing	79,300	79,200	77,200	+100	+2,100
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	4,100	4,300	3,500	-200	+600
Transportation & Utilities	5,900	5,900	6,100	0	-200
Trade	27,500	27,500	27,100	0	+400
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,400	4,400	4,300	0	+100
Services	24,300	24,100	23,000	0	+1,300
Government	13,000	12,900	13,100	+100	-100
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	11,300	11,200	11,400	+100	-100
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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to $8.28 and the average factory workweek came to 38.7 hours.

Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Payrolled employment is expected to remain near the November level during December. A slight reduction in construction and manufacturing jobs should be offset by hiring activity in retail trade establishments during the Christmas rush.

A seasonal upturn in the rate of unemployment will start in December. An increase of two or three-tenths of a percentage point in the rate of unemployment seems likely during December. A more substantial rise is expected in January, 1986.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: November, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$351.05	$338.57	$320.44	39.4	38.3	38.7	$8.91	$8.84	$8.28
Durable Goods	337.79	318.94	309.64	39.6	37.7	38.9	8.53	8.46	7.96
Nondurable Goods	367.64	364.02	326.27	39.1	39.1	38.3	9.40	9.31	8.78
Food & Kindred Products	414.29	400.25	368.93	41.1	40.8	39.5	10.08	9.81	9.34
Other Nondurable Goods	344.04	346.62	318.10	38.1	38.3	37.6	9.03	9.05	8.46

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MISSOURI AREA LABOR TRENDS

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Missouri Labor Market Review

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Labor market conditions in Missouri remained comparatively stable in December, with employment declining somewhat and unemployment edging up seasonally. Unemployment has been increasing since reaching its seasonal low in September, while the seasonal peak of employment occurred in October.

Total employment decreased by about 16,400 from November to 2,327,500, while unemployment increased by 3300 to 152,900. The unemployment rate edged up to 6.2 percent from 6 percent in November, having bottomed out at 5.7 percent in September.

Nonfarm payroll employment also decreased seasonally in December, dropping by 4800 jobs to 2,039,300. A seasonal drop in construction employment was primarily responsible.

Compared to a year ago, total employment is up by 114,000, while unemployment is down by about 15,000. The December 1984 unemployment rate was 7 percent.

Preliminary annual average data show about 84,000 more Missourians employed on average in 1985 than in 1984, while the jobless average fell by 8000. The average unemployment rate for 1985 was 6.7 percent, compared to 7.2 percent in 1984. This makes 1985 the first year since 1979 with an average unemployment rate below 7 percent.

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

National employment continued to grow in December. The number of civilian jobholders climbed to 108.2 million,

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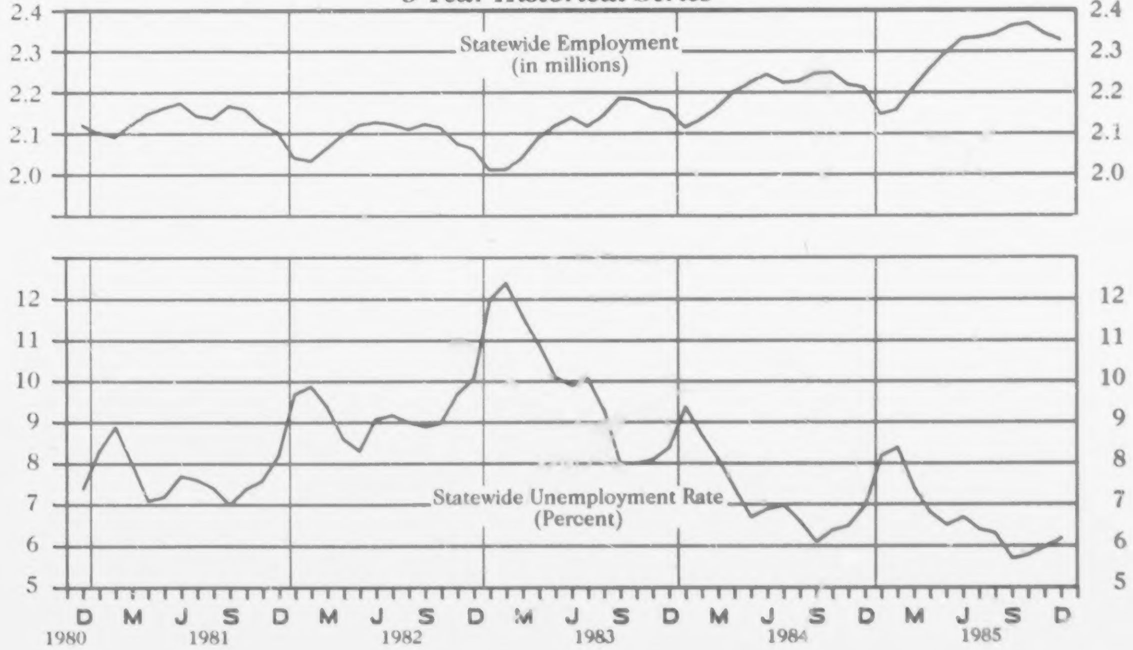

Table 1

MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - DEC 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - NOV 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - DEC 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2480397	2327525	152872	6.2	2493466	2343890	149576	6.0	2381218	2213402	167816	7.0
ST. LOUIS MSA	1199054	1118149	80905	6.7	1200393	1115407	84986	7.1	1177235	1090961	86274	7.3
KANSAS CITY MSA	761108	723527	37581	4.9	763381	726278	37103	4.9	742610	703280	39330	5.3
SPRINGFIELD MSA	121757	115997	5760	4.7	121961	116413	5548	4.5	118540	112367	6173	5.2
COLUMBIA MSA	64416	61969	2447	3.8	65346	62764	2582	4.0	60354	58102	2252	3.7
JOPLIN MSA	64719	61013	3706	5.7	65076	61395	3681	5.7	59135	55198	3937	6.7
ST. JOSEPH MSA	41055	38282	2773	6.8	40521	37870	2651	6.5	42946	39326	3620	8.4
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	16256	15347	909	5.6	16551	15763	788	4.8	15938	14896	1042	6.5
ANDREW	6600	6205	395	6.0	6780	6411	369	5.4	6047	5610	437	7.2
ATCHISON	4105	3925	180	4.4	4210	4024	186	4.4	4013	3743	270	6.7
AUDRAIN	11379	10640	739	6.5	11636	10951	685	5.9	11079	10154	925	8.3
BARRY	12780	11970	810	6.3	12818	12036	782	6.1	11361	10650	711	6.3
BARTON	5137	4906	231	4.5	5240	5042	198	3.8	4894	4656	238	4.9
BATES	7799	7310	489	6.3	7915	7488	427	5.4	7378	6942	436	5.9
BENTON	5536	4940	596	10.8	5693	5213	480	8.4	5469	4964	505	9.2
BOLLINGER	3028	2596	432	14.3	2939	2573	366	12.5	2994	2575	419	14.0
BUTLER	17725	16230	1495	8.4	17966	16542	1424	7.9	16898	15211	1687	10.0
CALDWELL	3803	3571	232	6.1	3622	3378	244	6.7	3499	3283	216	6.2
CALLAWAY	18918	17913	1005	5.3	19097	18093	1004	5.3	18143	16826	1317	7.3
CAMDEN	14784	13656	1128	7.6	15474	14514	960	6.2	12148	10914	1234	10.2
CAPE GIRARDEAU	35211	33784	1427	4.1	35194	33780	1414	4.0	31441	29785	1656	5.3
CARROLL	4799	4348	451	9.4	4737	4410	327	6.9	4469	4182	287	6.4
CARTER	2935	2546	389	13.3	2804	2444	360	12.8	2647	2237	410	15.5
CEDAR	4610	4255	355	7.7	4676	4385	291	6.2	4310	3950	360	8.4
CHARITON	5056	4673	383	7.6	5178	4791	387	7.5	4817	4451	366	7.6
CLARK	3532	3307	225	6.4	3622	3406	216	6.0	3239	2868	371	11.5
CLINTON	7393	6921	472	6.4	7494	7069	425	5.7	7126	6598	528	7.4
COLE/OSAGE LMA	40005	38037	1968	4.9	40654	38553	2101	5.2	37258	34958	2300	6.2
COOPER	7363	6763	600	8.1	7403	6902	501	6.8	6900	6098	802	11.6
CRAWFORD	7717	7040	677	8.8	7985	7346	639	8.0	7131	6385	746	10.5
DADE	3787	3592	195	5.1	3870	3689	181	4.7	3693	3516	177	4.8
DALLAS	5012	4597	415	8.3	5095	4707	388	7.6	4702	4148	554	11.8
DAVIESS	3069	2862	207	6.7	3227	3020	207	6.4	2916	2703	208	7.1
DEKALB	3811	3509	302	7.9	3852	3608	244	6.3	3478	3204	274	7.9
DENT	6056	5525	531	8.8	6180	5563	617	10.0	6080	5418	662	10.9
DOUGLAS	4656	4146	510	11.0	4745	4245	500	10.5	4444	3755	689	15.5
DUNKLIN	13454	12088	1366	10.2	13535	12304	1231	9.1	12832	11187	1645	12.8
GASCONADE	7544	7213	331	4.4	7692	7352	340	4.4	6937	6501	436	6.3
GENTRY	3849	3683	166	4.3	3981	3826	155	3.9	3865	3700	165	4.3
GRUNDY	5283	4967	316	6.0	5471	5141	330	6.0	5134	4757	377	7.3
HARRISON	5404	4981	423	7.8	5402	5125	277	5.1	4786	4561	225	4.7
HENRY	10124	9314	810	8.0	10125	9446	679	6.7	9620	8879	741	7.7
HICKORY	2794	2572	222	7.9	2890	2707	183	6.3	2439	2225	214	8.8
HOLT	3310	3170	140	4.2	3504	3337	167	4.8	3218	3037	181	5.6
HOWARD	4830	4515	315	6.5	4985	4703	282	5.7	4516	4116	400	8.9
HOWELL	13642	12495	1147	8.4	13748	12655	1093	8.0	13321	12117	1204	9.0
IRON	3724	3278	446	12.0	3682	3227	455	12.4	4408	3571	837	19.0
JOHNSON	17730	16960	770	4.3	17679	16971	708	4.0	16458	15816	642	3.9
KNOX	2352	2172	180	7.7	2394	2239	155	6.5	2276	2109	167	7.3
LACLEDE	12353	11216	1137	9.2	12597	11497	1100	8.7	11498	9577	1921	16.7
LAWRENCE	13476	12642	834	6.2	13522	12707	815	6.0	12176	11241	935	7.7

Table 1

MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - DEC 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - NOV 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - DEC 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	5991	5506	485	8.1	6038	5536	502	8.3	5515	5095	420	7.6
LINCOLN	11589	10712	877	7.6	11566	10751	815	7.0	10376	9527	849	8.2
LINN	7845	7255	590	7.5	7942	7291	651	8.2	7460	6769	691	9.3
LIVINGSTON	6943	6486	457	6.6	7045	6632	413	5.9	6616	6115	501	7.6
MACON	7319	6704	615	8.4	7335	6797	538	7.3	6903	6457	446	6.5
MADISON	3967	3512	455	11.5	3968	3573	395	10.0	3819	3415	404	10.6
MARIES	3257	2982	275	8.4	3234	2989	245	7.6	2509	2269	240	9.6
MARION/RALLS LMA	18739	17329	1410	7.5	19018	17626	1392	7.3	17884	16521	1363	7.6
MCDONALD	5741	5302	43[illegible]	7.6	5909	5405	504	8.5	5423	5003	420	7.7
MERCER	1619	1538	81	5.0	1698	1595	103	6.1	1661	1551	110	6.6
MILLER	11224	9957	1267	11.3	11419	10380	1039	9.1	10039	8649	1440	14.3
MISSISSIPPI	6983	6189	794	11.4	7229	6547	682	9.4	6303	5550	753	11.9
MONITEAU	5083	4350	733	14.4	5257	4563	694	13.2	4704	4005	699	14.9
MONROE	4817	4508	309	6.4	4858	4593	265	5.5	4418	4131	287	6.5
MONTGOMERY	5287	4870	417	7.9	5265	4855	410	7.8	5131	4672	459	8.9
MORGAN	5896	5158	738	12.5	6006	5353	653	10.9	5506	4802	704	12.8
NEW MADRID	11951	10949	1002	8.4	12072	11177	895	7.4	11069	10005	1064	9.6
NODAWAY	11346	10802	544	4.8	11618	11083	535	4.6	10493	10047	446	4.3
OREGON	3130	2725	405	12.9	2987	2705	282	9.4	3134	2680	454	14.5
OZARK	3928	3646	282	7.2	4199	3942	257	6.1	3949	3547	402	10.2
PEMISCOT	8631	7362	769	8.9	8651	7966	685	7.9	8083	7217	866	10.7
PERRY	7505	7107	398	5.3	7653	7213	440	5.7	6933	6421	512	7.4
PETTIS	18423	17078	1345	7.3	18791	17554	1237	6.6	16212	14956	1256	7.7
PHELPS	16517	15544	973	5.9	16909	15901	1008	6.0	15743	14713	1030	6.5
PIKE	7254	6630	624	8.6	7285	6725	560	7.7	6797	6074	723	10.6
POLK	9742	9133	609	6.3	9816	9253	563	5.7	9015	8353	662	7.3
PULASKI	9874	9114	760	7.7	10239	9527	712	7.0	8957	7887	1070	11.9
PUTNAM	2753	2596	157	5.7	2852	2717	135	4.7	2834	2626	208	7.3
RANDOLPH	12587	11727	860	6.8	12743	11894	849	6.7	11451	10642	809	7.1
REYNOLDS	2199	1856	343	15.6	2250	1889	361	16.0	2237	1874	363	16.2
RIPLEY	3637	3259	378	10.4	3699	3318	381	10.3	3259	2904	355	10.9
SALINE	14603	13803	800	5.5	14908	14064	844	5.7	13590	12859	731	5.4
SCOTLAND	2398	2240	158	6.6	2454	2326	128	5.2	2290	2145	145	6.3
SCOTT	17969	16525	1444	8.0	18099	16697	1402	7.7	16961	15357	1604	9.5
SHANNON	2586	2126	460	17.8	2729	2207	522	19.1	3052	2529	523	17.1
SHELBY	3345	3132	213	6.4	3470	3265	205	5.9	3092	2905	187	6.0
ST. CLAIR	3823	3616	207	5.4	3907	3712	195	5.0	3660	3392	268	7.3
ST. FRANCOIS	20509	18708	1801	8.8	20502	18718	1784	8.7	19770	17619	2151	10.9
STE. GENEVIEVE	6515	6106	409	6.3	6598	6100	498	7.5	5616	5150	466	8.3
STODDARD	13878	12667	1211	8.7	13768	12744	1024	7.4	12572	11350	1222	9.7
STONE	8057	6766	1291	16.0	8270	7164	1106	13.4	7002	5688	1314	18.8
SULLIVAN	3437	3229	208	6.1	3543	3332	211	6.0	3246	3033	213	6.6
TANEY	14445	12616	1829	12.7	15891	14349	1542	9.7	13603	11587	2016	14.8
TEXAS	7990	7093	897	11.2	8032	7103	929	11.6	8154	6575	1579	19.4
VERNON	10098	9529	569	5.6	10249	9751	498	4.9	9294	8769	525	5.6
WARREN	7763	7283	480	6.2	7787	7301	486	6.2	6588	6092	496	7.5
WASHINGTON	4835	4036	849	17.4	4915	4142	773	15.7	4539	3654	885	19.5
WAYNE	4418	3830	588	13.3	4461	3953	508	11.4	4320	3638	682	15.8
WEBSTER	8868	8037	831	9.4	8851	8102	749	8.5	7710	6491	1219	15.8
WORTH	1218	1143	75	6.2	1269	1184	85	6.7	1047	959	88	8.4
WRIGHT	7606	6985	621	8.2	7683	7164	519	6.8	7167	6392	775	10.8

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
December, 1985

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2039.3	2044.1	2042.8									
Total Manufacturing	426.5	425.6	433.0	INA	INA	395.38	INA	INA	41.1	INA	INA	9.62
Durable Goods	244.0	242.2	249.0	INA	INA	440.96	INA	INA	42.4	INA	INA	10.40
Lumber & Wood Products	10.5	10.5	10.7	233.93	247.83	243.66	38.1	39.4	39.3	6.14	6.29	6.20
Furniture & Fixtures	11.1	11.1	11.2	328.54	310.50	333.61	43.4	41.4	44.9	7.57	7.50	7.43
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.2	10.4	11.0	424.73	413.04	415.14	40.8	39.3	40.7	10.41	10.51	10.20
Cement, Hydraulic	0.9	0.9	1.0	540.36	538.99	538.60	39.5	39.4	39.4	13.68	13.68	13.67
Structural Clay Prod.	2.1	2.1	2.3	464.01	462.72	443.48	38.7	38.4	38.8	11.99	12.05	11.43
Primary Metal Industries	12.6	12.4	13.7	460.32	448.93	433.60	42.0	41.3	40.0	10.96	10.87	10.84
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.8	1.8	2.1	390.02	369.72	352.23	40.5	39.5	39.8	9.63	9.36	8.85
Nonferrous Foundries	3.3	3.2	3.1	341.88	330.37	350.40	42.0	41.4	43.8	8.14	7.98	8.00
Fabricated Metal Products	28.3	28.6	27.9	405.66	392.89	386.16	42.3	41.4	41.3	9.59	9.49	9.35
Fabricated Structural Metal Prod.	11.5	11.5	10.6	394.28	393.86	368.34	41.9	41.9	40.7	9.41	9.40	9.05
Machinery Exc. Electrical	31.6	31.8	31.8	427.04	417.99	422.51	41.3	40.7	41.1	10.34	10.27	10.28
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	50.6	51.3	51.2	395.65	386.32	387.61	41.0	30.2	41.5	9.65	9.61	9.34
Transportation Equipment	70.5	67.7	72.5	INA	INA	622.84	INA	INA	46.0	INA	INA	13.54
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	30.5	27.5	33.9	681.97	621.72	660.18	47.0	44.0	48.4	14.15	14.13	13.64
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.5	11.5	11.9	320.04	301.85	324.82	42.0	40.3	40.2	7.62	7.49	8.08
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	6.9	6.9	7.0	243.46	244.44	279.34	38.4	38.8	41.2	6.34	6.30	6.78
Nondurable Goods	182.5	183.4	184.0	345.93	344.36	334.84	39.4	39.4	39.3	8.78	8.74	8.52
Food & Kindred Products	44.7	45.1	44.6	393.66	404.49	390.60	40.5	41.7	40.9	9.72	9.70	9.55
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	12.4	12.5	11.8	271.26	286.71	269.50	39.6	40.9	39.4	6.85	7.01	6.84
Dairy Products	6.2	6.2	6.3	414.00	406.14	399.47	41.4	40.9	43.0	10.00	9.93	9.29
Grain Mill Products	7.1	7.1	7.2	433.67	465.80	443.98	41.9	45.4	43.4	10.35	10.26	10.23
Bakery Products	5.3	5.4	5.2	383.55	386.12	369.60	38.9	39.4	36.2	9.86	9.80	10.21
Beverages	10.1	10.0	10.0	587.45	586.37	590.59	37.9	38.2	41.3	15.50	15.35	14.30

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Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred	3.7	3.8	4.1	445.37	453.10	406.56	46.2	47.1	42.0	9.64	9.62	9.68
Textile & Apparel	23.7	23.7	24.3	188.70	195.21	177.41	34.0	35.3	33.6	5.55	5.53	5.28
Paper & Allied Products	13.6	13.6	13.2	394.25	377.34	395.66	41.5	40.1	43.1	9.50	9.41	9.18
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	.6.9	6.9	6.7	397.82	377.34	393.07	41.7	40.1	43.1	9.54	9.41	9.12
Printing & Publishing	40.3	40.1	40.1	402.00	399.12	381.79	40.2	39.4	38.8	10.00	10.13	9.84
Commercial Printing	13.1	13.0	12.9	455.82	451.61	445.13	42.6	41.7	40.8	10.70	10.83	10.91
Chemicals & Allied	28.8	29.6	29.1	479.64	467.40	480.47	42.0	41.0	43.6	11.42	11.40	11.02
Leather & Leather Products	18.1	18.0	19.2	198.20	199.47	189.54	36.5	36.6	35.1	5.43	5.45	5.40
Footwear Exc. Rubber	14.6	14.5	15.4	190.97	192.41	182.87	36.1	36.1	34.7	5.29	5.33	5.27
Total Nonmanufacturing	1612.8	1618.5	1609.8									
Mining	5.8	6.3	6.0									
Construction	78.4	83.2	82.1									
Transportation & Public Util.	132.7	132.6	135.2									
Railroad Transportation	12.1	12.1	13.4									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	68.6	68.3	69.4									
Communications	52.0	52.2	52.4									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	496.4	493.1	494.6									
Wholesale Trade	130.2	130.4	131.0									
Retail Trade	366.2	362.7	362.7									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	115.2	114.9	113.8									
Services	439.5	442.1	433.7									
Government	344.7	346.3	344.4									
Federal Government	70.3	70.1	69.0									
State & Local Government	274.4	276.2	275.4									

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and the proportion of the population with jobs reached a new high of 60.4 percent. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 6.9 percent in December, not significantly different from November's 7 percent rate.

During the past year, total employment has grown by 2 million, but the unemployment rate dropped only slowly. About 3 million jobs were added to nonfarm payrolls during the year, including more than 1.2 million in service industries, 640,000 in retail trade, 380,000 in state and local government, 290,000 in finance, insurance, and real estate, 290,000 in construction, 190,000 in wholesale trade, and 110,000 in transportation and public utilities. Manufacturing employment fell by about 180,000 in the period.

The nation's production of goods and services increased at a 2.4 percent annual rate in the fourth quarter, which is near the average for the whole year. Part of this comparatively weak performance can be traced to a drop in inventory investment over the year, as real final sales grew at a somewhat more robust 3.6 percent rate.

Outlook

There seems to be some evidence of an increasing pace of economic activity, with retail sales and industrial production picking up in December. The resumption of low-interest-rate financing arrangements by auto makers probably played a large part in this.

The government's index of leading economic indicators showed a substantial gain in December, the eighth straight month in which this index designed to predict future economic change has increased. Although the performance of the index suggests continuing economic improvement, trade figures continue to show a flood of imports that will continue to cause problems for a number of industries.

In Missouri, January experiences the largest seasonal increase in unemployment and decrease in employment of any month. Although the unusually mild winter weather may well exert some limitation on this January's seasonal deterioration, a sharp runup in unemployment and decrease in employment should still be expected, with no improvement until March.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments Missouri — December, 1985

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,480,400	2,493,500	2,381,200	-13,100	99,200
Total Employed	2,327,500	2,343,900	2,213,400	-16,400	114,100
Total Unemployed	152,900	149,600	167,800	3,300	-14,900
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	6.2	6.0	7.0	0.2	-0.8
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	2,039,300	2,044,100	2,042,800	-4,800	-3,500
Manufacturing	426,500	425,600	433,000	900	-6,500
Durable Goods	244,000	242,200	249,000	1,800	-5,000
Nondurable Goods	182,500	183,400	184,000	-900	-1,500
Nonmanufacturing	1,612,700	1,618,500	1,609,800	-5,800	2,900
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	11,507	8,414	8,813	3,093	2,694
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	51,415	39,506	40,864	11,919	10,561
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.8	2.4	2.8	0.4	0.0
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	3,418	2,751	3,244	667	174
Amount of Benefits Paid	$19,651,874	$14,265,869	$13,641,958	$5,386,005	$6,009,916
State U.I.	19,264,514	13,960,343	13,333,015	5,304,171	5,931,499
UCFE	186,060	151,293	142,212	34,767	43,848
UCX	201,300	154,233	166,731	47,067	34,569

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

December, 1985

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Seasonal losses in Services and Construction and an early slowdown in holiday related hiring in Retail Trade held the Area's unemployment rate steady at 4.9 percent in December 1985. Over the month, civilian employment fell by 2,800, while the number of jobless persons climbed to 37,600, up by 500 persons. This month's increase contributed to the Area's highest unemployment since March 1985. Of the 2,800 workers who lost jobs over the month, 2,300 or 82 percent withdrew from the Area's labor force. The decline in the civilian labor force also marked only the third December in more than ten years that the Area has experienced a loss during the holiday shopping season; the other December losses occurred in 1981 and 1978. Despite the over-the-month losses, the Area's labor market showed improvement over last year's levels. The number of unemployed persons was down by 1,700 from December 1984 levels, while both civilian employment, up by 20,200, and the labor force, with a gain of 18,500, showed significant growth.

Wage and salaried employment in December 1985 was 678,500, down by 1,200 from the November 1985 total of 679,700. Continuing recent trends, the Area's major employment changes occurred in the Nonmanufacturing sector. Services employment was the largest loser over the period, with losses of 1,800 jobs, primarily in Recreation and Miscellaneous Services. Together these two industries accounted for almost half the total losses in Services. Construction employment fell by 600 jobs, as building and nonbuilding contract construction slowed slightly. Within State and Local Government, local schools experienced a temporary decline and contributed to a modest overall drop of 300 jobs in that sector. Slightly higher than average employment increases in Retail Trade during November apparently met most of the need for extra help for the Area's retail merchants. The additional loss of jobs due to one area retailer's cutbacks resulted in December's gains falling well below the average expected growth. Moderate employment increases were posted in Wholesale Trade, with 400 new jobs, Transportation and Utilities with 300 jobs, and Federal Government with 200 jobs. Overall, the Nonmanufacturing sector last 800 jobs over the month.

Employment changes within Manufacturing were minimal over the period. Overall manufacturing fell by 400 jobs, spread primarily among the durable goods manufacturing industries. Among the nondurable goods manufacturing industries, most held steady.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 3,900 from December 1984 to December 1985. Durable Goods Manufacturing gained 300 jobs over the year, while Nondurable Goods Manufacturing held steady. The bulk of the employment gains occurred in Nonmanufacturing, which added 3,600 jobs over the 12-month period. Only five industries recorded losses compared to December 1984 levels. The big loser was Retail Trade, which fell below year-ago levels by 1,900 jobs, despite the over the month gains. Moderate losses of 400 jobs were recorded in Primary Metals, and smaller losses were reported in Stone, Clay and Glass, Apparel and Food.

With a gain of 2000 jobs, Services topped the list of industries registering gains over 1984 levels. State and Local Government added 1,200 jobs, while the Federal Government showed a gain of 900 jobs. Finance, Insurance and Real Estate also added another 700 jobs over the period. Another four industries, Transportation and Utilities, Machinery, Chemicals and Electrical Equipment, together accounted for 1,300 new jobs.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 37,600 in December 1985 for 4.9 percent of the labor force, compared to 37,100 in November 1985 for 4.9 percent of the labor force and 39,300 in December 1984 for 5.3 percent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

The Area's unemployment rate is expected to rise by more than half a point in January 1986. Area retailers will lay off most of the temporary help hired during the previous two months. These losses, coupled with substantial declines in Construction and Services, will add more than 4,000 to the Area's jobless. The only expected increase in employment will be in Government as the seasonal hiring of federal tax processors accelerates. Unemployment is expected to be 5.5 percent of the labor force in January 1986, compared to 4.9 percent in December 1985 and 6.0 percent in December 1984.

Little improvement is expected in the Area's labor market in February 1986. Construction and Retail Trade will continue to decline, reaching their annual low points. Reported layoffs across several sectors will exacerbate the usual downtown experienced during this time of the year. Unemployment is expected to be 5.[illegible] percent of the labor force in February 1986, compared to 5.8 percent in February 1985.

Kansas City Area-Missouri Job Service Statistics

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 30,084 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of December 1985.

Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics		Per Cent
Age:	Under 22	16.3
	22-44	68.3
	45 and over	15.4
Sex:	Male	63.2
	Female	36.8
Racial or Ethnic Group		
	Black	29.9
	Other Non-White	1.0
	Hispanic	2.2
Miscellaneous Characteristics		Per Cent
	Unemployment Insurance Claimants	48.4
	Veterans	20.6
	Handicapped	2.1

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated December 31, 1985.

Job Placements

During December 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 5,902 and job placements totaled 1,455. There were 1,183 veteran referrals in December 1985, with 217 veteran placements. During November 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 7,985 and job placements totaled 2,495. There were 1,517 veteran referrals in November 1985, with 288 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated December 31, 1985.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed in the Kansas City Area (Missouri Side Only)
December 1985

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	19.9	17.9	19.2
25-34	38.4	35.9	37.5
35-44	19.4	23.3	20.9
45-54	12.7	13.6	13.1
55-64	8.9	8.1	8.6
65 and over	0.6	1.1	0.8
Unreported	0.1	0.1	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	0.6
Mining	0.4
Construction	22.5
Manufacturing	26.7
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	5.5
Wholesale & Retail Trade	14.4
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.5
Services	24.4
All Other	2.9
Information not available	0.1

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	10.3
Clerical	14.7
Sales	3.2
Services	10.7
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	0.9
Processing	1.9
Machine Trades	7.1
Benchwork	8.7
Structural Work	12.9
Miscellaneous	15.0
Information not available	14.6

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 7,990; 5,038 were male and 2,952 were female.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1984)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas

Month and Year of Current: December, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	678,500	679,700	674,600	1,200	+3,900
Total Manufacturing	120,500	120,900	120,200	-400	+300
Durable Goods	68,200	68,500	67,900	-300	+300
Lumber & Furniture	3,600	3,600	3,400	0	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,600	3,700	3,800	-100	-200
Primary Metal Industries	3,700	3,700	4,100	0	-400
Fabricated Metal Products	9,600	9,700	9,400	-100	+200
Machinery Except Electrical	8,000	8,100	7,700	-100	+300
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	21,000	20,900	20,700	+100	+300
Transportation Equipment	15,100	15,200	15,000	-100	+100
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(14,900)	(15,000)	(14,800)	(-100)	(+100)
Other Durable Goods	3,600	3,600	3,800	0	-200
Nondurable Goods	52,300	52,400	52,300	-100	0
Food & Kindred Products	9,900	9,900	10,000	0	-100
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,400	2,500	2,600	-100	-200
Paper & Allied Products	5,400	5,400	5,400	0	0
Printing & Publishing	19,900	19,800	19,900	+100	0
Chemicals & Allied Products	9,100	9,100	8,700	0	+400
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	5,000	5,100	5,100	-100	-100
Total Nonmanufacturing	558,000	558,800	554,400	-800	+3,600
Mining & Quarrying	800	800	600	0	+200
Construction	28,100	28,700	28,100	-600	0
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	52,100	51,800	51,800	+300	+300
Wholesale & Retail Trade	174,000	172,900	175,900	+1,300	-1,700
Wholesale Trade	(53,900)	(53,500)	(53,700)	(+400)	(+200)
Retail Trade	(120,300)	(119,400)	(122,200)	(+900)	(-1,900)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	50,500	50,400	49,800	+100	+700
Services	147,500	149,300	145,500	-1,800	+2,000
Government	104,800	104,900	102,700	-100	+2,100
Federal Government	(29,100)	(28,900)	(28,200)	(+200)	(+900)
State & Local Government	(75,700)	(76,000)	(74,500)	(-300)	(+1,200)
In Labor-Management Disputes	300	300	200	0	+100

Prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data: December, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$464.80	$450.72	$473.67	41.5	40.9	43.1	$11.20	$11.02	$1[illegible].99
Durable Goods	496.05	481.03	516.97	41.2	40.8	43.7	12.04	11.79	11.83
Lumber & Furniture	279.55	291.46	324.86	36.4	38.4	42.3	7.68	7.59	7.68
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	490.64	501.60	490.05	39.6	40.0	41.6	12.39	12.54	11.78
Primary Metal Industries	465.37	467.58	426.49	41.7	41.6	39.6	11.16	11.24	10.77
Fabricated Metal Products	376.60	372.01	374.74	39.6	39.2	41.0	9.51	9.49	9.14
Machinery Exc. Electrical	444.52	445.63	424.91	41.7	42.2	40.7	10.66	10.56	10.44
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	488.03	487.56	506.60	40.5	40.8	44.4	12.05	11.95	11.41
Transportation Equipment	677.35	621.61	743.82	44.3	42.2	48.3	15.29	14.73	15.40
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(681.98)	(624.98)	(748.75)	(44.4)	(42.2)	(48.4)	(15.36)	(14.81)	(15.47)
Other Durable Goods	275.33	266.21	257.80	38.4	37.6	37.8	7.17	7.08	6.82
Nondurable Goods	412.44	399.34	401.74	42.0	41.0	42.2	9.82	9.74	9.52
Food & Kindred Products	428.65	426.67	440.68	44.1	43.9	43.5	9.72	9.71	10.13
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	187.96	184.08	183.58	34.3	33.9	33.5	5.48	5.43	5.48
*Paper & Allied Products	390.21	384.29	402.05	41.6	41.1	43.0	9.38	9.35	9.35
Printing & Publishing	427.58	415.72	419.21	39.3	38.0	40.7	10.88	10.94	10.30
Chemicals & Allied Products	567.15	533.08	493.58	47.7	45.1	45.2	11.89	11.82	10.92
Petroleum & Coal Products	416.51	380.33	460.80	42.2	39.7	45.0	9.87	9.58	10.24
Other Nondurable Goods	282.87	270.95	296.60	40.7	40.2	42.8	6.95	6.74	6.93

* This series excludes industry 2771.
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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

December, 1985

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate declined from 7.1% in November to 6.7% in December. The number of unemployed declined by 4100 while total employment rose 2800. Record high holiday retail trade job totals along with continued strong demand in construction and most service sectors helped bring the area's unemployment rate down to its lowest level of the year. The rate was 8.6% in January, 1985 and peaked at 8.8% in February. The 1985 average unemployment rate was 7.7%. In December, 1984, the unemployment rate was 7.3%. Over the year, unemployment declined 5300 and total employment rose 27,200. There were 400 labor disputants in December, 3400 in November and 200 in December, 1984.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment rose 2500 over the month. Motor vehicle employment increased 3100 as 3100 labor disputants returned to work after a November strike. The chemical industry, affected by early retirements and layoffs at one area chemical manufacturer, lost 700 workers. Further reductions in this industry are expected during the first half of 1986. Over the year, total manufacturing registered no employment change. Durable goods added 2500 workers as motor vehicles and aircraft continued to report significant growth over 1984 levels. Nondurables declined 2500 since December, 1984. Losses were reported by all major sectors except textiles and petroleum.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing employment declined 900 over the month. Most industries reported normal seasonal variations. Construction and services registered winter weather declines. Local government declined 800 as temporary

Illinois election workers, hired in November, were no longer employed after the November voting was completed. Retail trade added 3600 workers for the holdiay buying season. Over the year, nonmanufacturing added 7700 workers. Of the seven major sectors, three reported declines and four added employees. Services, up 7700, continued to register the largest employment increase over 1984.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

State UI continued claimants in the MSA were up 3500 in December from November. In the Missouri portion of the MSA they were up 2300 and in the Illinois portion they were up 1200.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
INA	2	0	2	0
Agriculture	24	26	40	76
Mining	15	25	27	38
Construction	949	882	1566	2761
Manufacturing Total	3434	3056	3716	3588
Food	356	338	488	492
Textile	17	20	23	19
Apparel	216	195	152	143
Lumber	20	20	37	44
Furniture	98	69	89	76
Paper	98	85	90	94
Printing	128	143	163	148
Chemicals	274	284	323	249
Petroleum	21	23	21	27
Rubber	108	82	114	118
Leather	224	178	174	182
Stone	52	28	77	81
Primary Metal	128	100	154	155
Fabricated Metal	414	423	510	489
Machinery	93	89	106	119
Electrtical Machinery	252	317	396	346
Transportation Equip.	393	187	234	236
Instruments	16	20	31	20
Miscellaneous	524	453	541	549
Public Utilities	627	490	752	644
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	1904	1607	2252	2102
Finance	307	261	318	313
Services	5091	4308	5526	5265
All Other	277	247	289	300
TOTAL	12630	10902	14488	15087

Of the 15,087 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in December, 1985, 64.4 percent were male and 35.6 percent were female.

The occupational distribution of the intrastate Missouri resident claimant is:

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1720	1546	1855	1642
Clerical	2282	1931	2386	2204
Sales	547	470	634	546
Farm, Fish & Forest	73	67	103	204
Processing	242	236	316	298
Machine Trades	968	865	1129	1133
Bench Work	752	736	762	701
Structural Work	1186	1006	1445	1768
Misc. Work	1538	1333	1904	1975
Domestic	38	38	51	45
Other Services	1862	1569	2052	2038
INA	1422	1105	1851	2533
TOTAL	12630	10902	14488	15087

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1985 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Min.	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	45.2	15.9	19.4	41.5	2.1
Placements, %	43.3	12.2	39.8	41.2	2.1

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1986 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	3.3	1.4
Clerical	14.9	11.3
Sales	14.7	15.9
Processing	1.3	1.5
Machine Trades	4.0	3.3
Bench Work	3.6	4.1
Structural Work	14.2	16.3
Motor Freight & Trans.	4.2	3.6
Packaging & Material Handling	8.9	11.1
Domestic	0.9	0.8
Other Services	28.9	29.5
Other Occupations	1.1	1.2

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in January, 1986 is expected to be 7.6%.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area **Month and Year of Current: December, 1985**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,065,400	1,063,800	1,057,700	+1,600	+7,700
Percent Change				+(0.2)	+(0.7)
Manufacturing	228,500	226,000	228,500	+2,500	0
Durable Goods	146,800	143,700	144,300	+3,100	+2,500
Lumber & Furniture	5,300	5,300	5,000	0	+300
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,400	3,300	3,600	+100	-200
Primary Metal Industries	14,000	14,000	15,300	0	-1,300
Fabricated Metal Products	17,100	17,200	17,300	-100	-200
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,700	18,700	18,800	0	-100
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,400	15,400	15,200	0	+200
Transportation Equipment	59,500	56,500	55,700	+3,000	+3,800
Motor Vehicles	21,800	18,700	19,100	+3,100	+2,700
Aircraft & Parts	37,000	37,100	35,700	-100	+1,300
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	13,400	13,300	13,400	+100	0
Nondurable Goods	81,700	82,300	84,200	-600	-2,500
Food & Kindred Products	21,100	21,100	21,400	0	-300
Meat Products	1,500	1,400	1,400	+100	+100
Beverages	8,300	8,400	8,500	-100	-200
Textiles & Apparel	6,700	6,600	6,700	+100	0
Paper & Paper Products	5,700	5,700	5,900	0	-200
Printing & Publishing	16,300	16,300	16,600	0	-300
Chemical & Allied Products	19,900	20,600	20,500	-700	-600
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0
Leather & Leather Products	4,700	4,700	5,100	0	-400
Other Nondurable Goods	4,900	4,900	5,600	0	-700
Nonmanufacturing	836,900	837,800	829,200	-900	+7,700
Mining	3,500	3,700	3,600	-200	-100
Construction	49,200	52,200	50,900	-3,000	-1,700
Transportation & Public Utilities	73,100	73,100	73,700	0	-600
Railroads	6,700	6,700	7,400	0	-700
Transportation, Except Railroads	38,700	38,700	39,200	0	-500
Communications & Public Utilities	27,700	27,700	27,100	0	+600
Wholesale & Retail Trade	256,900	253,200	255,000	+3,700	+1,900
Wholesale Trade	64,800	64,700	65,600	+100	-800
Retail Trade	192,100	188,500	189,400	+3,600	+2,700
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	64,700	64,400	62,900	+300	+1,800
Service, Except Domestic	252,400	253,300	244,700	-900	+7,700
Total Government	137,100	137,900	138,400	-800	-1,300
Total Federal Government	38,500	38,500	37,700	0	+800
Total State & Local Government	98,600	99,400	100,700	-800	-2,100
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	400	3,400	200	-3,000	+200

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: St. Louis Metropolitan Area **Month and Year of Current Data: December, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	INA	INA	$455.78	INA	INA	41.7	INA	INA	$10.93
Durable Goods	INA	INA	482.23	INA	INA	42.6	INA	INA	11.32
Lumber & Furniture	364.62	340.69	375.03	41.2	39.8	44.7	8.85	8.56	8.39
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	377.21	378.59	392.83	37.2	36.9	37.7	10.14	10.26	10.42
Primary Metal Industries	491.56	496.01	469.45	41.1	41.3	40.4	11.96	12.01	11.62
Fabricated Metal Products	443.16	429.48	418.18	42.9	41.9	41.2	10.33	10.25	10.15
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	471.23	460.94	459.06	41.3	40.9	42.0	11.41	11.27	10.93
Elect & Electronic Equip.	312.74	319.48	331.53	38.0	39.2	39.8	8.23	8.15	8.33
Transportation Equipment	INA	INA	629.28	INA	INA	46.0	INA	INA	13.68
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	308.00	305.33	299.49	38.5	38.6	39.2	8.00	7.91	7.64
Nondurable Goods	424.11	424.54	410.04	40.2	39.9	40.2	10.55	10.64	10.20
Food & Kindred Products	485.06	487.08	487.86	39.5	39.6	41.1	12.28	12.30	11.87
Textiles & Apparel	213.31	209.94	224.22	35.2	34.7	36.4	6.06	6.05	6.16
Paper & Paper Products	448.49	426.18	443.50	43.0	40.9	43.1	10.43	10.42	10.29
Printing & Publishing	415.54	427.49	393.95	39.5	39.4	38.1	10.52	10.85	10.34
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	503.71	496.36	476.86	42.4	42.1	42.2	11.88	11.79	11.30
Petroleum & Coal Products	665.28	664.22	607.89	44.5	44.4	42.9	14.95	14.96	14.17
Leather & Leather Products	190.10	193.68	189.19	35.4	35.8	35.9	5.37	5.41	5.27
Other Nondurable Goods	330.58	330.59	312.62	43.1	41.9	40.6	7.67	7.89	7.70

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

December, 1985

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA labor force, estimated at 121,800 in December, inched downward by 100 from the November level. Total employment fell 400 during the period to 116,000 in December. The number of unemployed persons rose 300 from November to reach 5,800 in December. The current jobless rate, estimated at 4.7 percent, is the lowest for any December since 1979 when 4.4 percent of the labor force was out-of-work.

During 1985, unemployment trended downward, employment increased approximately 3,600 and the civilian labor force expanded by approximately 3,200.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

The total number of payrolled jobs, estimated at 97,300 for December, fell 500 from November. Employment decreases occurred in manufacturing (-300) and construction (-500). Retail trade recorded a gain of 300 jobs during December in response to the Christmas season. The drop in construction reflects rather poor weather conditions that prevailed during much of December.

Some of the changes in employment levels of major industries during 1985 include. manufacturing, down 900; construction, up 200; transportation and utilities, down 400; trade up 300; services, up 1300; and government, up 100.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers decreased two cents from November to $8.93 in December. The average factory work week jumped 2.1 hours in December to reach 42.4 hours. The net result of influences pushed average weekly earnings up $26.89 from

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri | **Month and Year of Current: December, 1985**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	97,300	97,800	96,700	-500	+600
Manufacturing	18,500	18,800	19,400	-300	-900
Durable Goods	9,300	9,500	10,500	-200	-1,200
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	1,000	1,000	900	0	+100
Other Durable Goods	8,300	8,500	9,600	-200	-1,300
Nondurable Goods	9,200	9,300	8,900	-100	+300
Food Processing	3,800	3,900	3,800	-100	0
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,800	3,800	3,500	0	+300
Nonmanufacturing	78,800	79,000	77,300	-200	+1,500
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	3,600	4,100	3,400	-500	+200
Transportation & Utilities	5,800	5,800	6,200	0	-400
Trade	27,600	27,300	27,300	+300	+300
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,400	4,400	4,400	0	0
Services	24,300	24,300	23,000	0	+1,300
Government	13,000	13,000	12,900	0	+100
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	11,300	11,300	11,200	0	+100
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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November to reach $378.63 in December.

Since December 1984, average hourly earnings are up 58 cents, average weekly hours are up by 1.0 hours and average weekly earnings show an increase of $32.94.

Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Payrolled employment is expected to show a moderate drop in January. Job reductions will probably occur in durable goods manufacturing and retail trade, construction employment is not expected to show the normal decrease from December to January due to excellent weather for this time of year. The rate of unemployment is expected to move upward about seven-tenths of a percentage point to reach 5.4 percent of the labor force in January.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: December, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$378.63	$351.74	$345.69	42.4	39.3	41.4	$8.93	$8.95	$8.35
Durable Goods	349.44	339.70	325.22	41.6	39.5	40.2	8.40	8.60	8.09
Nondurable Goods	417.17	367.54	352.08	43.5	39.1	40.1	9.59	9.40	8.78
Food & Kindred Products	443.98	414.29	374.74	43.4	41.1	40.6	10.23	10.08	9.23
Other Nondurable Goods	402.38	343.14	321.48	43.5	38.0	37.6	9.25	9.03	8.55

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MISSOURI AREA LABOR TRENDS

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS   DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

INCLUDES CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR AREAS PLUS LABOR MARKET REVIEWS FOR THE STATE
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Missouri Labor Market Review

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The Missouri unemployment rate held steady at 6.6 percent, and total employment dropped by about 56,500 in January. This marks the first January in the 16 year history of the labor force data in which the unemployment rate has not shown a seasonal increase. This unusual occurrence can partly be attributed to the unusually mild and dry weather in January compared to more wintry weather in December and wet weather in November, which probably helped limit weather-related unemployment in January. Another factor is the benchmarking of the 1985 data, which led to an increase of four-tenths of a point in the reported unemployment rate for December.

The drop in total employment experienced in January (from a benchmarked figure of 2,330,400 in December to 2,273,900 in January) is more in line with the usual seasonal pattern, although it may be a little smaller than expected. Total employment is now about 64,900 higher than a year ago, while the number of jobless Missourians fell by 20,700 in the same period to 161,700. The unemployment rate is a full percentage point lower than January 1985's 7.6 percent rate.

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment also dropped seasonally, decreasing by 38,800 jobs from December. Seasonal declines in retail trade (16,400 jobs); state and local government because of semester breaks at many schools (7300 jobs); and construction (5700 jobs) accounted for the bulk of the decrease; a drop of 2200 in durable goods manufacturing and small decreases spread through other industries made up the rest.

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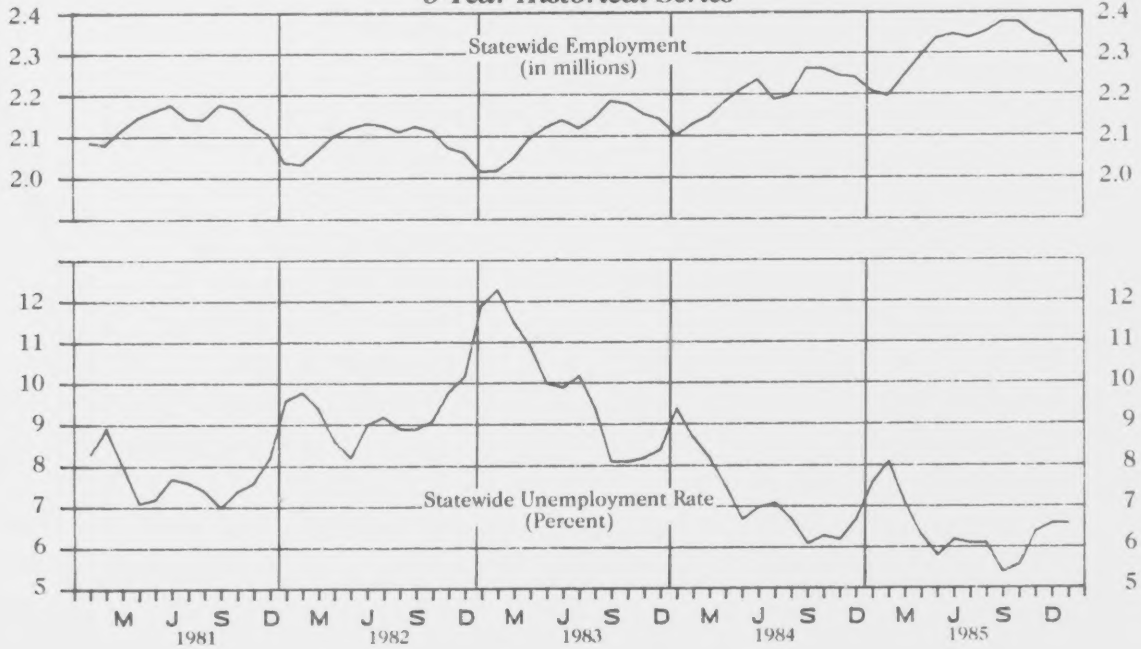

Table 1

MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - JAN 1986 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - DEC 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - JAN 1985 (BENCHMARKED 1985)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2435621	2273920	161701	6.6	2493937	2330419	163518	6.6	2391418	2209004	182414	7.6
KANSAS CITY MSA	794002	755049	38953	4.9	819086	780150	38936	4.8	786352	742777	43575	5.5
SPRINGFIELD MSA	112924	106969	5955	5.3	113731	107717	6014	5.3	109069	102546	6523	6.0
COLUMBIA MSA	55532	53590	1942	3.5	60003	57456	2547	4.2	57182	54273	2909	5.1
JOPLIN MSA	65185	61369	3816	5.9	66724	62735	3989	6.0	63310	59148	4162	6.6
ST. JOSEPH MSA	41029	37611	3418	8.3	42080	39112	2968	7.1	41387	37902	3485	8.4
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	13373	12559	814	6.1	13911	13047	864	6.2	13334	12208	1126	8.4
ANDREW	7187	6679	508	7.1	7406	6981	425	5.7	6719	6260	459	6.8
ATCHISON	3179	2977	202	6.4	3308	3092	216	6.5	3312	2973	339	10.2
AUDRAIN	10302	9597	705	6.8	10692	9887	805	7.5	11136	10060	1076	9.7
BARRY	11461	10753	708	6.2	11841	10980	861	7.3	11207	10452	755	6.7
BARTON	5183	4993	190	3.7	5251	5009	242	4.6	5099	4872	227	4.5
BATES	6215	5726	489	7.9	6481	5981	500	7.7	6250	5737	513	8.2
BENTON	5283	4644	639	12.1	5429	4820	609	11.2	5217	4559	658	12.6
BOLLINGER	3459	2945	514	14.9	3592	3095	497	13.8	3556	2994	562	15.8
BUTLER	15733	13982	1751	11.1	16162	14582	1580	9.8	16288	14380	1908	11.7
CALDWELL	3025	2776	249	8.2	3076	2838	238	7.7	3117	2850	267	8.6
CALLAWAY	14511	13573	938	6.5	14830	13826	1004	6.8	15448	14032	1416	9.2
CAMDEN	12894	11539	1355	10.5	13316	12127	1189	8.9	11972	10591	1381	11.5
CAPE GIRARDEAU	31733	30110	1623	5.1	32937	31453	1484	4.5	31720	29794	1926	6.1
CARROLL	5159	4735	424	8.2	5365	4858	507	9.5	4891	4482	409	8.4
CARTER	2047	1675	372	18.2	2241	1824	417	18.6	2382	2030	352	14.8
CEDAR	4862	4515	347	7.1	4945	4562	383	7.7	4878	4400	478	9.8
CHARITON	4951	4622	329	6.6	5080	4686	394	7.8	4541	4177	364	8.0
CLARK	3721	3414	307	8.3	3683	3446	237	6.4	3772	3370	402	10.7
CLINTON	5947	5511	436	7.3	6164	5692	472	7.7	6578	5997	581	8.8
COLE/OSAGE LMA	37900	35770	2130	5.6	38704	36626	2078	5.4	37206	34736	2470	6.6
COOPER	6690	6162	528	7.9	6977	6346	631	9.0	6675	6110	565	8.5
CRAWFORD	6456	5746	710	11.0	6591	5866	725	11.0	7200	6304	896	12.4
DADE	2742	2571	171	6.2	2877	2675	202	7.0	2832	2678	154	5.4
DALLAS	3833	3362	471	12.3	3973	3474	499	12.6	3749	3260	489	13.0
DAVIESS	3667	3455	212	5.8	3781	3549	232	6.1	3663	3349	314	8.6
DEKALB	3852	3596	256	6.6	4045	3728	317	7.8	3679	3407	272	7.4
DENT	5231	4650	581	11.1	5411	4832	579	10.7	5497	4742	755	13.7
DOUGLAS	5047	4498	549	10.9	5119	4589	530	10.4	4886	4194	692	14.2
DUNKLIN	13485	11946	1539	11.4	13863	12404	1459	10.5	13667	11699	1968	14.4
GASCONADE	6784	6414	370	5.5	6999	6654	345	4.9	6858	6338	520	7.6
GENTRY	3034	2850	184	6.1	3140	2967	173	5.5	3188	2988	200	6.3
GRUNDY	4971	4605	366	7.4	5083	4732	351	6.9	5199	4808	391	7.5
HARRISON	4775	4434	341	7.1	4903	4577	326	6.6	4714	4399	315	6.7
HENRY	8422	7683	739	8.8	8717	7878	839	9.6	8575	7613	962	11.2
HICKORY	2824	2552	272	9.6	2855	2585	270	9.5	2445	2178	267	10.9
HOLT	2482	2308	174	7.0	2638	2502	136	5.2	2468	2207	261	10.6
HOWARD	4367	4092	275	6.3	4498	4180	318	7.1	4543	4181	362	8.0
HOWELL	12205	10967	1238	10.1	12770	11526	1244	9.7	12971	11521	1450	11.2
IRON	3444	2963	481	14.0	3464	2986	478	13.8	3709	2787	922	24.9
JOHNSON	16740	16027	713	4.3	17854	17034	820	4.6	17253	16476	777	4.5
KNOX	2050	1832	218	10.6	2144	1954	190	8.9	2058	1780	278	13.5
LACLEDE	11599	10521	1078	9.3	11840	10610	1230	10.4	12169	10990	1179	9.7
LAWRENCE	13718	12782	936	6.8	14174	13255	919	6.5	13475	12522	953	7.1
LEWIS	5281	4765	516	9.8	5232	4735	497	9.5	5006	4541	465	9.3

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	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LINCOLN	11022	10163	859	7.8	11315	10397	918	8.1	10269	9355	914	8.9
LINN	6445	5779	666	10.3	6522	5912	610	9.4	6450	5729	721	11.2
LIVINGSTON	6624	6198	426	6.4	6830	6344	486	7.1	6600	6014	586	8.9
MACON	7488	6884	604	8.1	7878	7221	657	8.3	7804	7213	591	7.6
MADISON	4038	3633	405	10.0	4141	3641	500	12.1	4139	3631	508	12.3
MARIES	3728	3437	291	7.8	3810	3510	300	7.9	3689	3404	285	7.7
MARION/RALLS LMA	17992	16472	1520	8.4	18245	16758	1487	8.2	17254	15589	1665	9.6
MCDONALD	7580	7116	464	6.1	7635	7139	496	6.5	7162	6600	562	7.8
MERCER	1577	1448	129	8.2	1577	1492	85	5.4	1602	1475	127	7.9
MILLER	9436	8021	1415	15.0	9645	8323	1322	13.7	9079	7378	1701	18.7
MISSISSIPPI	6172	5275	897	14.5	6428	5619	809	12.6	6312	5395	917	14.5
MONITEAU	6013	5180	833	13.9	6431	5672	759	11.8	5890	4925	965	16.4
MONROE	4893	4614	279	5.7	4905	4598	307	6.3	4449	4132	317	7.1
MONTGOMERY	4868	4442	426	8.8	4989	4553	436	8.7	4949	4405	544	11.0
MORGAN	6051	5264	787	13.0	6596	5790	806	12.2	6413	5592	821	12.8
NEW MADRID	8844	7681	1163	13.2	9033	7977	1056	11.7	9578	8300	1278	13.3
NODAWAY	10048	9543	505	5.0	10615	10030	585	5.5	9921	9351	570	5.7
OREGON	3512	3159	353	10.1	3714	3242	472	12.7	3734	3198	536	14.4
OZARK	3075	2746	329	10.7	3194	2890	304	9.5	3295	2844	451	13.7
PEMISCOT	8717	7823	894	10.3	8740	7934	806	9.2	8794	7753	1041	11.8
PERRY	7546	7073	473	6.3	7704	7265	439	5.7	7420	6757	663	8.9
PETTIS	17984	16481	1503	8.4	18639	17210	1429	7.7	17519	16023	1496	8.5
PHELPS	15821	14879	942	6.0	16245	15221	1024	6.3	15411	14275	1136	7.4
PIKE	8134	7478	656	8.1	8412	7719	693	8.2	7462	6564	898	12.0
POLK	8657	7974	683	7.9	8955	8293	662	7.4	9026	8458	568	6.3
PULASKI	11639	10850	789	6.8	11513	10675	838	7.3	11335	10500	835	7.4
PUTNAM	2022	1880	142	7.0	2163	2009	154	7.1	2201	1974	227	10.3
RANDOLPH	12070	11120	950	7.9	12178	11246	932	7.7	11722	10771	951	8.1
REYNOLDS	1936	1582	354	18.3	1911	1536	375	19.6	2097	1601	496	23.7
RIPLEY	4143	3656	487	11.8	4468	4027	441	9.9	4047	3542	505	12.5
SALINE	11546	10858	688	6.0	12075	11250	825	6.8	12019	11097	922	7.7
SCOTLAND	2432	2255	177	7.3	2461	2296	165	6.7	2293	2124	169	7.4
SCOTT	17341	15765	1576	9.1	17816	16268	1548	8.7	16709	14907	1802	10.8
SHANNON	3013	2450	563	18.7	3076	2529	547	17.8	3460	2879	581	16.8
SHELBY	3553	3304	249	7.0	3670	3465	205	5.6	3443	3231	212	6.2
ST. CLAIR	3009	2803	206	6.8	3163	2937	226	7.1	3221	2936	285	8.8
ST. FRANCOIS	17818	16002	1816	10.2	18384	16498	1886	10.3	18009	15792	2217	12.3
STE. GENEVIEVE	7050	6430	620	8.8	7095	6643	452	6.4	6346	5846	500	7.9
STODDARD	12616	11364	1252	9.9	12993	11726	1267	9.8	12333	10800	1533	12.4
STONE	8058	6563	1495	18.6	8510	7098	1412	16.6	7586	6077	1509	19.9
SULLIVAN	3466	3267	199	5.7	3551	3338	213	6.0	3367	3100	267	7.9
TANEY	12975	10801	2174	16.8	13461	11516	1945	14.4	12225	9905	2320	19.0
TEXAS	9490	8251	1239	13.1	9635	8559	1076	11.2	9290	7938	1352	14.6
VERNON	8750	8301	449	5.1	8989	8405	584	6.5	8791	8226	565	6.4
WARREN	8764	8226	538	6.1	9030	8487	543	6.0	8207	7616	591	7.2
WASHINGTON	6376	5475	901	14.1	6407	5466	941	14.7	6488	5423	1065	16.4
WAYNE	4080	3407	673	16.5	4198	3597	601	14.3	4218	3562	656	15.6
WEBSTER	9577	8581	996	10.4	9510	8589	921	9.7	9066	8215	851	9.4
WORTH	1257	1179	78	6.2	1355	1275	80	5.9	1143	1053	90	7.9
WRIGHT	6777	6003	774	11.4	6881	6189	692	10.1	7037	6199	838	11.9
ST LOUIS MSA (MO PART)	904805	848160	56645	6.3	920821	863920	56901	6.2	875436	814003	61433	7.0

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
January, 1986

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2090.9	2129.7	2030.6									
Total Manufacturing	426.0	428.5	428.8	400.49	411.27	373.58	40.7	41.5	39.7	9.84	9.91	9.41
Durable Goods	244.1	246.3	243.8	450.66	462.67	409.66	42.0	42.8	40.4	10.73	10.81	10.14
Lumber & Wood Products	10.3	9.8	10.1	244.05	242.82	230.63	39.3	38.3	37.5	6.21	6.34	6.15
Furniture & Fixtures	10.2	10.2	10.2	312.82	328.10	307.45	39.9	44.7	43.0	7.84	7.34	7.15
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.9	11.0	10.7	476.98	430.73	404.81	43.8	41.1	40.2	10.89	10.48	10.07
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.0	630.05	565.96	529.70	42.6	40.6	39.5	14.79	13.94	13.41
Structural Clay Prod.	1.9	2.0	2.1	521.85	495.29	492.47	42.6	40.3	42.2	12.25	12.29	11.67
Other Stone, Clay & Glass	8.0	8.0	7.5									
Primary Metal Industries	12.5	12.2	13.6	468.35	475.23	432.53	42.5	43.4	39.5	11.02	10.95	10.95
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.8	1.6	2.0	393.81	394.54	352.04	39.9	40.8	39.6	9.87	9.67	8.89
Nonferrous Foundries	3.2	3.2	3.0	347.34	343.56	335.81	42.0	42.0	42.4	8.27	8.18	7.92
Other Primary Metals	7.4	7.4	8.6									
Fabricated Metal Products	28.5	28.9	28.3	413.42	411.52	381.64	42.1	42.6	40.3	9.82	9.66	9.47
Structural Metal Prod.	11.4	11.6	10.7	403.54	404.98	362.50	42.3	42.9	40.1	9.54	9.44	9.04
Other Fab. Metal Prod.	17.1	17.3	17.6									
Machinery Exc. Electrical	30.6	31.2	31.5	411.01	427.66	394.13	41.6	41.4	40.3	9.88	10.33	9.78
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	49.3	49.3	51.5	396.76	400.86	376.48	41.2	41.8	40.7	9.63	9.59	9.25
Transportation Equipment	72.9	74.6	69.5	606.63	637.77	546.74	43.3	45.2	41.8	14.01	14.11	13.08
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	37.5	37.6	34.3	639.91	691.48	581.65	44.5	47.2	42.8	14.38	14.65	13.59
Other Transportation Equip.	35.4	37.0	35.3									
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.9	11.8	11.6	331.19	322.70	270.99	44.1	41.8	37.9	7.51	7.72	7.15
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.1	7.2	6.8	242.73	266.53	232.70	36.5	39.9	35.8	6.65	6.68	6.50
Nondurable Goods	181.9	182.3	185.0	334.70	343.08	325.01	39.1	39.8	38.6	8.56	8.62	8.42
Food & Kindred Products	43.3	43.5	44.4	391.20	394.01	382.45	40.0	41.0	40.3	9.78	9.61	9.49
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	12.1	12.2	11.9	270.36	272.00	261.69	38.9	40.0	39.0	6.95	6.80	6.71
Dairy Products	6.3	6.4	6.0	400.06	408.62	392.60	41.5	41.4	41.9	9.64	9.87	9.37
Grain Mill Products	7.4	7.3	7.3	457.74	419.42	421.45	42.7	41.2	41.4	10.72	10.18	10.18
Bakery Products	5.5	5.5	5.3	384.92	390.72	386.80	37.7	38.8	37.3	10.21	10.07	10.37
Beverages	7.7	7.7	9.4	625.97	639.63	590.73	40.7	41.4	40.6	15.38	15.45	14.55

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Other Food & Kindred	4.4	4.4	4.5	363.46	424.26	408.43	37.9	44.8	42.5	9.59	9.47	9.61
Textile & Apparel	23.8	23.6	25.4	199.51	188.72	189.16	35.5	33.7	34.9	5.62	5.60	5.42
Paper & Allied Products	12.9	13.4	13.4	390.40	396.79	380.70	41.4	41.9	42.3	9.43	9.47	9.00
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	6.7	7.0	6.6	399.23	398.77	385.73	41.2	41.8	41.7	9.69	9.54	9.25
Other Paper Products	6.2	6.4	6.7									
Printing & Publishing	40.9	40.7	40.4	372.27	399.18	360.69	38.9	40.9	37.3	9.57	9.76	9.67
Commercial Printing	13.4	13.4	13.1	430.00	463.95	420.25	40.0	42.8	40.1	10.75	10.84	10.48
Other Printing	27.5	27.3	27.3									
Chemicals & Allied	28.8	28.7	29.0	461.47	464.67	451.68	41.8	41.9	41.9	11.04	11.09	10.78
Leather & Leather Products	18.2	18.4	18.4	209.81	207.20	189.12	37.2	37.4	34.7	5.64	5.54	5.45
Footwear Exc. Rubber	14.7	14.8	14.8	202.58	199.06	183.51	36.9	37.0	34.3	5.49	5.38	5.35
Other Leather Prod.	3.5	3.6	3.6									
Other Nondurable Goods	14.0	14.0	14.1									
Total Nonmanufacturing	1664.9	1701.1	1601.8									
Mining	6.0	6.0	6.1									
Construction	90.6	96.3	79.3									
Transportation & Public Util.	144.4	144.6	139.1									
Railroad Transportation	17.1	16.7	14.8									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	72.6	73.0	70.7									
Communications	54.8	54.8	53.6									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	514.0	531.0	488.8									
Wholesale Trade	130.6	131.1	130.7									
Retail Trade	383.5	399.9	358.1									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	121.3	122.0	117.3									
Services	458.7	464.6	438.2									
Government	329.8	336.8	333.1									
Federal Government	70.7	70.4	69.8									
State & Local Government	259.1	266.4	263.3									

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Benchmarking has also taken place in the nonagricultural wage and salary (establishment) employment data, and these data now show gains consistent with those being shown by the total (household) employment data. Between January 1985 and January 1986, the state's nonfarm payrolls are estimated to have grown by 60,300 jobs, with all the net growth occurring in the nonmanufacturing industries. The greatest growth -- 25,400 jobs -- occurred in the retail trade industries, followed by services (20,500); construction (11,300); transportation and public utilities (5300); and finance, insurance, and real estate (4000). State and local government employment decreased by 4200 jobs in the period, while nondurable goods manufacturing industries lost 3100 jobs. Employment in durable goods manufacturing was little changed over the year.

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

National labor market conditions showed some similarity to the state's, in that unemployment increases and employment decreases were smaller than the usual seasonal changes, resulting in a seasonally adjusted increase in employment and decrease in unemployment. The seasonally adjusted civilian unemployment rate fell two-tenths of a point to 6.7 percent, while seasonally adjusted civilian employment increased by three-quarters of a million to 108,955,000. Over the past year, total civilian employment has grown by about 2.6 million, while the unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) dropped by seven-tenths of a percentage point. Also over the past year, nonfarm payrolls in the nation have grown by about 3 million jobs, with almost all the growth occurring in the service-producing industries, including services (1,100,000 jobs); retail trade (800,000 jobs); government (nearly 400,000 jobs); and finance, insurance, and real estate (300,000 jobs).

The nation's economy grew at a slower rate in the final quarter of 1985 than had previously been estimated. The annual rate of growth of inflation-adjusted gross national product (GNP) is now estimated at only 1.2 percent in the October-December 1985 period; the downward revision reflects a higher level of imports and lower inventory investment than shown by earlier estimates. GNP growth for the whole year is still estimated at 2.3 percent, down sharply from the 6.6 percent rate of 1984.

Outlook

After the slowdown late last year, some analysts are seeing evidence of increased economic activity early in 1986. Most forecasters are now looking for continued economic growth at least through 1986. Precipitous drops in the price of oil should increase consumer income and lower costs in many industries, further spurring growth.

Continuation of recent employment trends is expected in Missouri. Some deterioration in employment and unemployment conditions is usual in February, but decent weather conditions, though perhaps not as favorable as in January, may serve to limit the degree of the deteriorations.

Seasonal improvement should begin in March.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related
To Manpower Developments
Missouri — January, 1986

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,435,600	2,493,900	2,391,400	-58,300	44,200
Total Employed	2,273,900	2,330,400	2,209,000	-56,500	64,900
Total Unemployed	161,700	163,500	182,400	-1,800	-20,700
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	6.6	6.6	7.6	0.0	-1.0
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	2,090,900	2,129,700	2,030,600	-38,800	60,300
Manufacturing	426,000	428,500	428,800	-2,500	-2,800
Durable Goods	244,100	246,300	243,800	-2,200	300
Nondurable Goods	181,900	182,300	185,000	-400	-3,100
Nonmanufacturing	1,664,900	1,701,100	1,601,800	-36,200	63,100
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	13,634	11,507	15,649	2,127	-2,015
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	70,880	51,425	64,192	19,455	6,688
Insured Unemployment Rate	3.0	2.8	2.9	0.2	0.1
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	4,692	3,418	4,704	1,274	-12
Amount of Benefits Paid	$24,326,983	$19,651,874	$20,917,129	$4,675,109	$3,409,854
State U.I.	23,866,235	19,264,514	20,510,486	4,601,721	3,355,749
UCFE	219,753	186,060	190,110	33,693	29,643
UCX	240,995	201,300	216,533	39,695	24,462

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

January, 1986

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For the third straight month the Area's unemployment rate held steady at 4.9 percent of the labor force. This January is the first in over 10 years that the unemployment rate showed no change from December to January. The number of unemployed persons increased only slightly over the month. In January 1986 there were 39,000 jobless persons. However, not since January 1980 has the Area's civilian labor force and civilian employment fallen so sharply. Civilian employment and the civilian labor force both fell by more than 25,000 persons over-the-month. Despite this significant drop in the number of employed individuals, the count of unemployed individuals did not rise, indicating that the job situation in the Area is becoming much tighter. Although job losses were primarily seasonal in nature, the size of the loss was much larger than usual and only one sector, Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, actually experienced gains.

Wage and salaried employment in January 1986 was 693,000, down by 10,700 from the December 1985 total of 703,700. Manufacturing fell only slightly despite a significant loss of 600 jobs in Machinery. These losses, which were concentrated primarily in garden and construction machinery and equipment, and other losses in Electrical Equipment, were offset by small gains in several Nondurable Goods industries, Food, Apparel and Chemicals. Nonmanufacturing employment dropped by 10,600 over the period. Seasonal losses were largest in Retail Trade, which fell by 3,600 as temporary help during the holidays was laid off and January sales were weak. Services also fell by 3,500. Cutbacks in personnel supply, recreation, schools and membership organizations accounted for the decline. Construction was down by 3,300 as nonbuilding and special trades contractors recorded substantial losses. Losses in the airline industry and trucking resulted in losses of 1,000 in Transportation, Communications and Utilities. The timing of school break accounted for State and Local Government showing 800 fewer jobs. Finance, Insurance and Real Estate was up by 1,200 as a result of increased activity in the real estate field.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 12,200 from January 1985 to January 1986, with a gain of 700 in Durable Goods Manufacturing, a loss of 300 in Nondurable Goods Manufacturing and a gain of 11,800 in Nonmanufacturing. The over-the-year gains in Durable Goods Manufacturing were concentrated in Fabricated Metals Product, Transportation Equipment and Stone, Clay and Glass Products. Within Nondurable Goods Manufacturing, Chemicals registered the only significant gain. The largest Manufacturing losses over-the-year were recorded in Electrical Equipment and Primary Metals while more modest losses were spread generally among the Nondurable Goods Manufacturing industries. Within the Nonmanufacturing sector most industries gained over last year's levels. Wholesale and Retail Trade were up by 6,700 jobs from last January with about 88 percent of that gain in Retail Trade. State and Local Government recorded 2,600 more jobs in January 1986 than last year with most of that gain occuring in eating and drinking establishments. Other industries posting substantial increases of year ago figures are Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, with 1,800 new jobs and Services with 1,400 more jobs. As a result of rather large losses over-the-month, Construction showed no change compared to levels reached last January. Losses were recorded in two industries, Transportation, Communications and Utilities was down 600 and Federal Government fell slightly below the January 1985 level.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 39,000 in January 1986 for 4.9 percent of the labor force, compared with 38,900 in December 1985 for 4.9 percent of the labor force and 43,600 in January 1985 for 5.5 percent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

The Area's labor market will show little change in February 1986. The continued slowdown in consumer spending will hold Retail Trade down to the lowest level of the year. Construction and Services will also reach low points but relatively mild February weather will hold losses down to a minimum. Overall Government employment should increase as additional tax processors are hired and increased employment in State and Local schools reflect the return from holiday term break. Unemployment is expected to be 5.1 percent of the labor force compared to 4.9 in January 1986 and 5.5 percent in February 1985.

Some improvement in the labor market will occur in March 1986. Seasonal factors are expected to spur increases in Construction, Services and Government. Retail Trade and Transportation, Communications and Utilities should show some slight employment increases. Unemployment is expected to be 4.8 percent of the labor force in March 1986 compared to 4.9 percent in March 1985.

Kansas City Area - Missouri Job Service Statistics

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 32,195 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of January 1986.

Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics	Per Cent
Age: Under 22	16.0
22-44	68.2
45 and over	15.8
Sex: Male	63.4
Female	36.6
Racial or Ethnic Group	
Black	28.7
Other Non-White	1.0
Hispanic	2.0
Miscellaneous Characteristics	**Per Cent**
Unemployment Insurance Claimants	48.3
Veterans	19.9
Handicapped	2.1

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated January 31, 1986.

Job Placements

During January 1986, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 8,367 and job placements totaled 1,997. There were 1,612 veteran referrals in December 1985, with 298 veteran placements. During December 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 5,902 and job placements totaled 1,459. There were 1,183 veteran referrals in December 1985, with 217 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated January 31, 1986.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed in the Kansas City Area (Missouri Side Only)
January 1986

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	14.9	14.7	14.9
25-34	37.9	35.6	37.1
35-44	22.8	23.2	22.9
45-54	13.1	14.2	13.5
55-64	10.1	10.7	10.2
65 and over	1.1	1.6	1.3
Unreported	0.1	0.0	0.1

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	0.8
Mining	0.4
Construction	19.3
Manufacturing	26.3
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	5.7
Wholesale & Retail Trade	18.5
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.4
Services	24.2
All Other	2.5
Information not available	2.9

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	8.5
Clerical	13.9
Sales	3.1
Services	10.6
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	1.0
Processing	1.7
Machine Trades	7.5
Benchwork	9.3
Structural Work	14.1
Miscellaneous	16.2
Information not available	14.1

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 7,554; 4,941 were male and 2,613 were female.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1985)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current:** January, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	693,000	703,700	680,000	-10,700	+12,200
Total Manufacturing	119,400	119,500	119,000	-100	+400
Durable Goods	68,200	68,800	67,500	-600	+700
Lumber & Furniture	3,200	3,300	3,200	-100	0
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,800	3,700	3,600	+100	+200
Primary Metal Industries	3,500	3,500	3,900	0	-400
Fabricated Metal Products	9,500	9,500	9,000	0	+500
Machinery Except Electrical	7,700	8,300	7,700	-600	0
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	21,000	21,200	21,400	-100	-400
Transportation Equipment	15,600	15,600	15,100	0	+500
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(15,300)	(15,300)	(14,900)	(0)	(+400)
Other Durable Goods	3,800	3,700	3,700	+100	+100
Nondurable Goods	51,200	50,700	51,500	+500	-300
Food & Kindred Products	9,400	9,200	9,500	+200	-100
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,400	2,200	2,500	+200	-100
Paper & Allied Products	5,600	5,600	5,600	0	0
Printing & Publishing	19,900	19,900	20,100	0	-200
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,800	8,600	8,200	+200	+600
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	4,600	4,700	5,100	-100	-500
Total Nonmanufacturing	573,600	584,200	561,800	-10,600	+11,800
Mining & Quarrying	500	500	500	0	0
Construction	26,100	29,400	26,100	-3,300	0
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	52,200	53,200	52,800	-1,000	-600
Wholesale & Retail Trade	186,300	189,700	179,600	-3,400	+6,700
Wholesale Trade	(56,400)	(56,200)	(55,600)	(+200)	(+800)
Retail Trade	(129,900)	(133,500)	(124,000)	(-3,600)	(+5,900)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	53,300	52,100	51,500	+1,200	+1,800
Services	150,300	153,800	148,900	-3,500	+1,400
Government	104,900	105,500	102,400	-600	+2,500
Federal Government	(28,800)	(28,600)	(28,900)	(+200)	(-100)
State & Local Government	(76,100)	(76,900)	(73,500)	(-800)	(+2,600)
In Labor-Management Disputes	300	300	100	0	+200

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data:** January, 1986

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$444.00	$476.10	$451.26	40.0	41.8	41.4	$11.10	$11.39	$10.90
Durable Goods	471.64	507.56	491.78	39.7	41.4	41.5	11.88	12.26	11.85
Lumber & Furniture	272.48	277.97	289.91	34.8	35.5	38.5	7.83	7.83	7.53
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	463.35	446.18	439.61	39.3	38.2	37.8	11.79	11.68	11.63
Primary Metal Industries	441.21	546.74	435.57	42.1	45.6	39.1	10.48	11.99	11.14
Fabricated Metal Products	383.27	375.20	362.21	39.8	38.8	39.2	9.63	9.67	9.24
Machinery Exc. Electrical	404.94	446.90	429.68	39.2	41.0	41.0	10.33	10.90	10.48
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	442.74	465.28	480.70	38.6	39.7	41.8	11.47	11.72	11.50
Transportation Equipment	654.05	730.08	689.63	43.2	46.8	45.4	15.14	14.60	15.19
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(659.03)	(735.39)	(694.79)	(43.3)	(46.9)	(45.5)	(15.22)	(15.68)	(15.27)
Other Durable Goods	208.10	235.20	240.10	39.6	33.8	34.9	7.03	6.96	6.88
Nondurable Goods	398.34	426.00	382.75	40.4	42.6	41.2	9.86	10.00	9.29
Food & Kindred Products	410.00	429.00	400.73	41.0	42.9	41.1	10.00	10.00	9.75
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	196.32	197.73	197.96	35.5	33.8	35.1	5.53	5.85	5.64
*Paper & Allied Products	452.89	448.75	393.55	45.7	45.1	42.5	9.91	9.95	9.26
Printing & Publishing	394.37	447.45	393.00	37.1	40.9	39.3	10.63	10.94	10.00
Chemicals & Allied Products	492.89	568.58	484.71	41.7	47.5	45.3	11.82	11.97	10.70
Petroleum & Coal Products	350.40	396.26	399.67	36.5	42.2	40.7	9.60	9.39	9.82
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

January, 1986

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Area Labor Force Developments
(Missouri Portion Only)

The Missouri portion of the St. Louis MSA unemployment rate increased from 6.2% in December 1985 to 6.3% in January 1986. Revised labor force data for the Illinois portion of the area is not yet available for January 1986 and all of 1985. Unemployment declined by 300 over the month while employment was down by 15,700. Seasonal layoffs in trade, services, and government caused the employment decline. Unusual mild weather in January allowed construction activity to remain strong and kept the unemployment rate below expected seasonal levels. If St. Louis had experienced average January weather, construction employment would have declined and the unemployment rate may have reached 6.8%. Over the year, unemployment in the Missouri portion declined 4800 and total employment rose 34,200. The unemployment rate in January 1985 was 7.0%. There were 200 labor disputants in January 1986, 400 in December 1985 and 300 in January 1985.

Manufacturing
(St. Louis MSA)

Manufacturing employment declined 100 over the month. All sectors registered little or no movement from December 1985. Over the year, manufacturing added 900 workers. Motor vehicles is up 2900 and the aircraft industry has added 1200 workers. Primary metals, down 1500, suffered the largest job loss. Other industries registering significant declines were chemicals, leather, apparel, and nonelectrical machinery.

Nonmanufacturing
(St. Louis MSA)

Nonmanufacturing employment declined 14,300 over the month. Retail trade, down 7800, experienced seasonal layoffs of temporary workers after the holiday buying season. Holiday school closings caused non-teaching personnel layoffs in services and government. Construction employment was unchanged because of the January weather conditions. Over the year, nonmanufacturing added 25,800 workers. The service sector, up 11,000, was responsible for over 42% of the nonmanufacturing job growth. Significant gains were also reported in trade, construction and finance. Railroads, down 900, continued to register losses. Health care worker layoffs caused a 1200 decline in state and local government employment.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

State UI continued claimants in the MSA were up 4000 in January from December. In the Missouri portion of the MSA they were up 2500 and in the Illinois portion they were up 1500.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan. '86
INA	0	2	0	0
Agriculture	26	40	76	154
Mining	25	27	38	34
Construction	882	1566	2761	3316
Manufacturing Total	3056	3716	3588	4255
Food	338	488	492	484
Textile	20	23	19	46
Apparel	195	152	143	290
Lumber	20	37	44	49
Furniture	69	89	76	88
Paper	85	90	94	87
Printing	143	163	148	168
Chemicals	284	323	249	252
Petroleum	23	21	27	26
Rubber	82	114	118	148
Leather	178	174	182	188
Stone	28	77	81	99
Primary Metal	100	154	155	247
Fabricated Metal	423	510	489	560
Machinery	89	106	119	112
Electrtical Machinery	317	396	346	432
Transportation Equip.	187	234	236	309
Instruments	20	31	20	26
Miscellaneous	453	541	549	637
Public Utilities	490	752	644	767
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	1607	2252	2102	2280
Finance	261	318	313	267
Services	4308	5526	5265	5991
All Other	247	289	300	332
TOTAL	10902	14488	15087	17386

Of the 17,386 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in January, 1986, 65.7 percent were male and 34.3 percent were female.

The occupational distribution of the intrastate Missouri resident claimant is:

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	**Oct.**	**Nov.**	**Dec.**	**Jan. '86**
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1546	1855	1642	1725
Clerical	1931	2386	2204	2340
Sales	470	634	546	614
Farm, Fish & Forest	67	103	204	288
Processing	236	316	298	348
Machine Trades	865	1129	1133	1272
Bench Work	736	762	701	825
Structural Work	1006	1445	1768	2329
Misc. Work	1333	1904	1975	2275
Domestic	38	51	45	63
Other Services	1569	2052	2038	2279
INA	1105	1851	2533	3028
TOTAL	10902	14488	15087	17386

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1985 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Min.	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	45.0	15.6	19.6	41.1	2.1
Placements, %	43.6	12.3	39.3	40.5	2.2

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1986 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	**Openings Received Percent**	**Openings Filled Percent**
Professional, Technical & Managerial	3.4	1.5
Clerical	14.9	11.4
Sales	16.2	18.7
Processing	1.5	1.7
Machine Trades	5.2	3.4
Bench Work	3.4	3.9
Structural Work	12.6	14.3
Motor Freight & Trans.	4.0	3.6
Packaging & Material Handling	8.9	11.2
Domestic	1.0	0.8
Other Services	27.7	28.5
Other Occupations	1.2	1.0

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area **Month and Year of Current:** January, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,064,000	1,078,300	1,037,300	-14,300	+26,700
Percent Change				-(1.3)	+(2.6)
Manufacturing	224,600	224,700	223,700	-100	+900
Durable Goods	141,700	141,900	138,600	-200	+3,100
Lumber & Furniture	4,700	4,700	4,500	0	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,300	3,400	3,100	-100	+200
Primary Metal Industries	13,700	13,800	15,200	-100	-1,500
Fabricated Metal Products	17,000	17,000	17,300	0	-300
Machinery, Except Electrical	17,900	17,800	18,300	+100	-400
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,700	15,600	15,300	+100	+400
Transportation Equipment	56,800	56,800	52,200	0	+4,600
Motor Vehicles	21,900	22,000	19,000	-100	+2,900
Aircraft & Parts	28,700	28,700	27,500	0	+1,200
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	12,800	12,800	12,700	0	+100
Nondurable Goods	82,900	82,800	85,000	+100	-2,100
Food & Kindred Products	20,900	21,000	21,100	-100	-200
Meat Products	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0
Beverages	8,100	8,100	8,300	0	-200
Textiles & Apparel	6,300	6,400	6,700	100	-400
Paper & Paper Products	5,700	5,800	6,000	-100	-300
Printing & Publishing	16,400	16,300	16,800	+100	-400
Chemical & Allied Products	20,300	20,200	21,000	+100	-700
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,700	2,700	2,900	0	-200
Leather & Leather Products	4,600	4,700	5,100	-100	-500
Other Nondurable Goods	5,900	5,800	5,600	+100	+300
Nonmanufacturing	839,400	853,700	813,600	-14,300	+25,800
Mining	3,600	3,600	3,700	0	-100
Construction	51,900	51,900	46,800	0	+5,100
Transportation & Public Utilities	72,200	72,500	72,300	-300	-100
Railroads	4,800	4,800	5,700	0	-900
Transportation, Except Railroads	38,800	39,100	38,900	-300	-100
Communications & Public Utilities	28,700	28,600	27,700	+100	+1,000
Wholesale & Retail Trade	255,300	263,400	248,000	+8,100	+7,300
Wholesale Trade	65,100	65,400	65,200	-300	-100
Retail Trade	190,200	198,000	182,800	-7,800	+7,400
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	66,400	66,300	63,400	+100	+3,000
Service, Except Domestic	255,900	258,900	244,900	-3,000	+11,000
Total Government	134,100	137,200	134,600	-3,100	-500
Total Federal Government	37,800	38,000	37,000	-200	+800
Total State & Local Government	96,300	99,200	97,500	-2,900	-1,200
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	200	400	300	-200	-100

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: **St. Louis Metropolitan Area** **Month and Year of Current Data:** **January, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$467.10	$479.52	$438.99	41.3	42.1	39.8	$11.31	$11.39	$11.03
Durable Goods	497.54	508.13	458.34	42.2	42.7	40.1	11.79	11.90	11.43
Lumber & Furniture	364.31	370.37	373.68	40.3	40.7	43.2	9.04	9.10	8.65
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	388.13	352.80	377.64	37.0	33.6	36.7	10.49	10.50	10.29
Primary Metal Industries	519.91	501.41	451.65	43.8	43.3	37.7	11.87	11.58	11.98
Fabricated Metal Products	443.28	444.26	422.09	42.5	42.8	40.9	10.43	10.38	10.32
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	465.98	485.52	449.34	42.4	42.0	41.3	10.99	11.56	10.88
Elect & Electronic Equip.	402.12	397.60	321.65	40.7	40.0	38.8	9.88	9.94	8.29
Transportation Equipment	617.38	640.27	570.35	43.6	44.9	41.3	14.16	14.26	13.81
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	300.85	320.40	306.54	37.7	40.0	36.8	7.98	8.01	8.33
Nondurable Goods	408.04	422.69	406.76	39.5	40.8	39.3	10.33	10.36	10.36
Food & Kindred Products	493.29	503.69	498.15	40.6	41.8	41.0	12.15	12.05	12.15
Textiles & Apparel	205.18	210.40	205.11	33.2	34.1	34.3	6.18	6.17	5.98
Paper & Paper Products	400.75	446.58	415.58	41.4	45.2	41.6	9.68	9.88	9.99
Printing & Publishing	377.74	393.84	385.10	37.4	38.2	37.1	10.10	10.31	10.38
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	512.24	507.31	467.31	43.3	42.1	41.1	11.83	12.05	11.37
Petroleum & Coal Products	623.57	620.84	639.21	44.1	44.0	44.7	14.14	14.11	14.30
Leather & Leather Products	188.94	213.70	184.10	33.5	37.1	35.2	5.64	5.76	5.23
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

January, 1986

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA unemployment rate, estimated at 5.3 percent for January, shows no change from the previous month. Approximately 6,000 persons were unemployed during December and January. During January 1985, there were 6,500 unemployed and the rate of unemployment was calculated at 6.0 percent of the labor force.

Total employment fell 700 between December and January. This drop is somewhat less than the normal seasonal expectation.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Payrolled employment was off 1,700 from December to 98,400 in January. The entire decrease, which was mostly seasonal, occurred in the nonmanufacturing sector. Nonmanufacturing industries recording changes in employment levels since December include: construction, up 100; trade, down 600; services, down 200; and government, down 1,000. The drops in trade and government were fostered by seasonal influences and are in line with changes that normally occur between December and January. Construction responded to favorable weather conditions and posted an employment gain in January instead of the normal seasonal loss.

Since January 1985, payrolled employment is up 2,300. This is the net result of a reduction of 1,200 manufacturing jobs and a jump of 3,500 jobs in the nonmanufacturing sector.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers and related workers fell from $9.02 in

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current: January, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	98,400	100,100	96,100	-1,700	+2,300
Manufacturing	18,700	18,700	19,900	0	-1,200
Durable Goods	9,600	9,600	10,700	0	-1,100
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	1,000	1,000	900	0	+100
Other Durable Goods	8,600	8,600	9,800	0	-1,200
Nondurable Goods	9,100	9,100	9,200	0	-100
Food Processing	3,700	3,800	3,900	-100	-200
Printing & Publishing	1,700	1,600	1,600	+100	+100
Other Nondurable Goods	3,700	3,700	3,700	0	0
Nonmanufacturing	79,700	81,400	76,200	-1,700	+3,500
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	4,200	4,100	3,600	+100	+600
Transportation & Utilities	6,000	6,000	6,200	0	-200
Trade	27,500	28,100	26,600	-600	+900
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,600	4,600	4,400	0	+200
Services	25,000	25,200	22,800	-200	+2,200
Government	12,300	13,300	12,500	-1,000	-200
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	10,600	11,600	10,800	-1,000	-200
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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December to $8.92 in January. The drop was fostered by less overtime worked in the nondurable manufacturing segment. Average weekly hours worked were down 1.9 hours from December to 40.4 hours in January.

Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Payrolled employment is expected to show a moderate increase in February. Most of the jump will be in state and local government. This mirrors seasonal changes at state and local educational institutions following the holiday break.

The rate of unemployment is expected to remain near the January level during February. By March, a seasonal down trend should be established.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data:** January, 1986

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$360.37	$381.55	$342.95	40.4	42.3	40.3	$8.92	$9.02	$8.51
Durable Goods	336.71	354.47	330.88	39.8	41.9	40.4	8.46	8.46	8.19
Nondurable Goods	388.40	413.88	362.60	41.1	42.8	40.2	9.45	9.67	9.02
Food & Kindred Products	429.09	442.82	380.22	42.4	43.8	41.6	10.12	10.11	9.14
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Missouri Area Labor Trends

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A Monthly Review of Missouri Labor Market Information

Missouri Labor Market Review

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Missouri unemployment edged up seasonally in February after remaining essentially unchanged between December and January. About 170,900 Missourians were jobless in February, an increase of 7600 from January.

Total employment did not change in February, remaining at 2,270,000. Compared to a year ago, total employment has increased by 73,600, while unemployment is down by 23,600. The labor force has grown by 50,000 in the past year to 2,440,900, while the unemployment rate dropped by 1.1 percentage points.

The number of jobs on nonfarm payrolls also remained unchanged in February, at 2,086,200, an increase of 61,000 from the year earlier figure. The only significant industry changes in February were the usual seasonal ones. Retail trade and construction were down by 5300 and 4300 jobs, respectively, while state and local government increased by 7800 jobs following the end of many schools' semester breaks. The principal over-the-year gains were in retail trade (24,100 jobs), services (19,300 jobs), and construction (9500 jobs).

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

Estimates of the nation's economic growth in the final quarter of 1985 have been revised downward to an annual rate of 0.7 percent. The growth for the year is now put at 2.1 percent, the smallest annual increase in the current expansion.

National labor market conditions deteriorated in February, suggesting that the improvement in economic activity so

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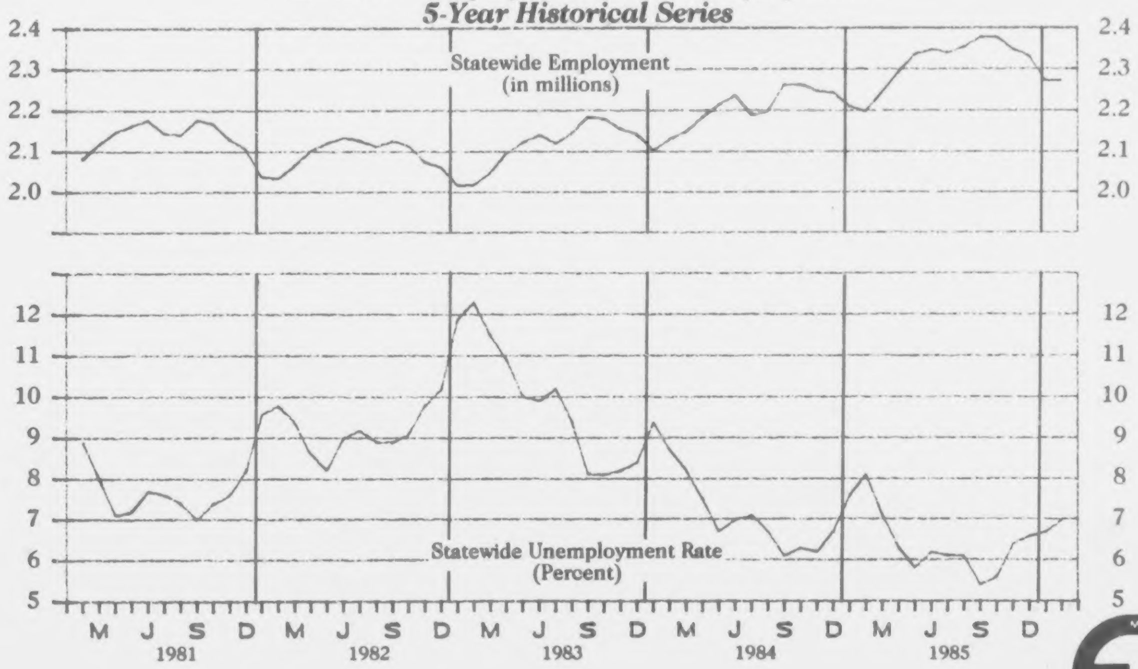

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY - A Division of the Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

Table 1
MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - FEB 1986 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - JAN 1986 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - FEB 1985 (BENCHMARKED 1985)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2440892	2270039	170853	7.0	2433288	2270036	163252	6.7	2390918	2196418	194500	8.1
ST. LOUIS MSA	1213026	1119104	93922	7.7	1209952	1124538	85414	7.1	1172657	1072386	100271	8.6
KANSAS CITY MSA	784689	742694	41995	5.4	783174	743493	39681	5.1	785110	741553	43557	5.5
SPRINGFIELD MSA	113368	107304	6064	5.3	112741	106705	6036	5.4	109515	102869	6646	6.1
COLUMBIA MSA	58513	56362	2151	3.7	55762	53786	1976	3.5	59694	56740	2954	4.9
JOPLIN MSA	65252	61346	3906	6.0	65484	61594	3890	5.9	63412	58922	4490	7.1
ST. JOSEPH MSA	42552	38745	3807	8.9	41237	37749	3488	8.5	40879	37456	3423	8.4
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	13345	12386	959	7.2	13036	12225	811	6.2	13450	12188	1262	9.4
ANDREW	7574	6976	598	7.9	7230	6704	526	7.3	6651	6165	486	7.3
ATCHISON	3023	2822	201	6.6	3192	2988	204	6.4	3292	2952	340	10.3
AUDRAIN	10033	9312	721	7.2	10353	9632	721	7.0	11033	9847	1186	10.7
BARRY	11702	10959	743	6.3	11520	10793	727	6.3	11136	10353	783	7.0
BARTON	5193	4998	195	3.8	5202	5011	191	3.7	5051	4816	235	4.7
BATES	6178	5580	598	9.7	6246	5747	499	8.0	6231	5659	572	9.2
BENTON	5297	4634	663	12.5	5283	4618	665	12.6	5148	4499	649	12.6
BOLLINGER	3499	2917	582	16.6	3480	2956	524	15.1	3646	2987	659	18.1
BUTLER	15285	13527	1758	11.5	15810	14033	1777	11.2	16197	14109	2088	12.9
CALDWELL	3142	2867	275	8.8	3037	2786	251	8.3	3164	2886	278	8.8
CALLAWAY	14460	13476	984	6.8	14586	13623	963	6.6	15234	13770	1464	9.6
CAMDEN	12750	11398	1352	10.6	12959	11581	1378	10.6	11992	10582	1410	11.8
CAPE GIRARDEAU	32036	30314	1722	5.4	31884	30221	1663	5.2	31311	29363	1948	6.2
CARROLL	5137	4658	479	9.3	5186	4753	433	8.3	4865	4435	430	8.8
CARTER	2005	1564	441	22.0	2066	1681	385	18.6	2409	2033	376	15.6
CEDAR	4832	4441	391	8.1	4881	4531	350	7.2	4847	4358	489	10.1
CHARITON	4891	4536	355	7.3	4977	4639	338	6.8	4588	4156	432	9.4
CLARK	3774	3428	346	9.2	3745	3427	318	8.5	3727	3311	416	11.2
CLINTON	6027	5522	505	8.4	5965	5531	434	7.3	6545	5937	608	9.3
COLE/OSAGE LMA	37796	35643	2153	5.7	37908	35901	2007	5.3	37145	34556	2589	7.0
COOPER	6685	6117	568	8.5	6723	6185	538	8.0	6765	5857	908	13.4
CRAWFORD	6559	5807	752	11.5	6492	5767	725	11.2	7292	6212	1080	14.8
DADE	2787	2593	194	7.0	2753	2580	173	6.3	2842	2667	175	6.2
DALLAS	3882	3379	503	13.0	3864	3374	490	12.7	3827	3227	600	15.7
DAVIESS	3636	3418	218	6.0	3687	3468	219	5.9	3642	3334	308	8.5
DEKALB	3867	3562	305	7.9	3864	3609	255	6.6	3669	3374	295	8.0
DENT	5313	4723	590	11.1	5253	4667	586	11.2	5428	4666	762	14.0
DOUGLAS	4924	4353	571	11.6	5075	4515	560	11.0	4926	4221	705	14.3
DUNKLIN	13317	11738	1579	11.9	13550	11990	1560	11.5	13497	11587	1910	14.2
GASCONADE	6822	6326	496	7.3	6812	6437	375	5.5	6798	6230	568	8.4
GENTRY	3039	2861	178	5.9	3058	2860	198	6.5	3147	2952	195	6.2
GRUNDY	5040	4680	360	7.1	5002	4622	380	7.6	5198	4803	395	7.6
HARRISON	4844	4467	377	7.8	4804	4450	354	7.4	4701	4356	345	7.3
HENRY	8591	7780	811	9.4	8461	7711	750	8.9	8543	7752	791	9.3
HICKORY	2757	2474	283	10.3	2832	2562	270	9.5	2458	2113	345	14.0
HOLT	2524	2338	186	7.4	2505	2317	188	7.5	2455	2206	249	10.1
HOWARD	4539	4239	300	6.6	4398	4107	291	6.6	4810	4326	484	10.1
HOWELL	12328	11064	1264	10.3	12262	11007	1255	10.2	12958	11410	1548	11.9
IRON	3530	3022	508	14.4	3460	2974	486	14.0	3708	2797	911	24.6
JOHNSON	16978	16170	808	4.8	16810	16086	724	4.3	17281	16489	792	4.6
KNOX	2085	1881	204	9.8	2035	1839	196	9.6	2073	1794	279	13.5
LACLEDE	11612	10498	1114	9.6	11675	10560	1115	9.6	12159	10930	1229	10.1
LAWRENCE	13687	12747	940	6.9	13780	12829	951	6.9	13441	12438	1003	7.5

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LEWIS	5301	4697	604	11.4	5307	4783	524	9.9	5037	4510	527	10.5
LINCOLN	11474	10463	1011	8.8	11078	10201	877	7.9	10485	9405	1080	10.3
LINN	6609	5931	678	10.3	6478	5800	678	10.5	6507	5818	689	10.6
LIVINGSTON	6639	6121	518	7.8	6657	6221	436	6.5	6544	5918	626	9.6
MACON	7480	6709	771	10.3	7522	6909	613	8.1	7841	5947	1894	24.2
MADISON	4048	3611	437	10.8	4052	3646	406	10.0	4153	3628	525	12.6
MARIES	3807	3468	339	8.9	3747	3449	298	8.0	3755	3404	351	9.3
MARION/RALLS LMA	18393	16579	1814	9.9	18079	16533	1546	8.6	17123	15521	1602	9.4
MCDONALD	7645	7040	605	7.9	7611	7143	468	6.1	7037	6532	505	7.2
MERCER	1580	1453	127	8.0	1580	1453	127	8.0	1609	1468	141	8.8
MILLER	9617	8080	1537	16.0	9497	8051	1446	15.2	9199	7348	1851	20.1
MISSISSIPPI	6191	5340	851	13.7	6199	5294	905	14.6	6299	5380	919	14.6
MONITEAU	6016	5192	824	13.7	6048	5199	849	14.0	5912	4891	1021	17.3
MONROE	4972	4652	320	6.4	4916	4631	285	5.8	4535	4132	403	8.9
MONTGOMERY	5030	4561	469	9.3	4888	4458	430	8.8	4994	4370	624	12.5
MORGAN	6155	5386	769	12.5	6078	5283	795	13.1	6382	5490	892	14.0
NEW MADRID	9111	8034	1077	11.8	8899	7709	1190	13.4	9496	8262	1234	13.0
NODAWAY	10094	9514	580	5.7	10093	9578	515	5.1	9816	9224	592	6.0
OREGON	3510	3118	392	11.2	3526	3170	356	10.1	3664	3131	533	14.5
OZARK	3158	2795	363	11.5	3112	2777	335	10.8	3319	2782	537	16.2
PEMISCOT	8693	7752	941	10.8	8754	7852	902	10.3	8565	7592	973	11.4
PERRY	7653	7076	577	7.5	7576	7099	477	6.3	7500	6763	737	9.8
PETTIS	18251	16643	1608	8.8	18089	16541	1548	8.6	17506	15982	1524	8.7
PHELPS	16177	15082	1095	6.8	15892	14934	958	6.0	15775	14440	1335	8.5
PIKE	8322	7519	803	9.6	8214	7505	709	8.6	7455	6569	886	11.9
POLK	8636	7967	669	7.7	8709	8003	706	8.1	9005	8411	594	6.6
PULASKI	11618	10812	806	6.9	11691	10889	802	6.9	11337	10497	840	7.4
PUTNAM	2088	1927	161	7.7	2032	1887	145	7.1	2206	1996	210	9.5
RANDOLPH	12155	11201	954	7.8	12127	11161	966	8.0	12254	10733	1521	12.4
REYNOLDS	1951	1557	394	20.2	1948	1588	360	18.5	2073	1549	524	25.3
RIPLEY	4123	3614	509	12.3	4178	3670	508	12.2	4112	3534	578	14.1
SALINE	11731	10908	823	7.0	11595	10898	697	6.0	11925	11001	924	7.7
SCOTLAND	2421	2232	189	7.8	2439	2263	176	7.2	2286	2086	200	8.7
SCOTT	17600	16023	1577	9.0	17418	15822	1596	9.2	16954	15082	1872	11.0
SHANNON	3034	2441	593	19.5	3025	2459	566	18.7	3444	2749	695	20.2
SHELBY	3549	3266	283	8.0	3567	3316	251	7.0	3527	3154	373	10.6
ST. CLAIR	3058	2818	240	7.8	3026	2813	213	7.0	3239	2944	295	9.1
ST. FRANCOIS	17730	15866	1864	10.5	17909	16060	1849	10.3	17867	15548	2319	13.0
STE. GENEVIEVE	6864	6214	650	9.5	7088	6454	634	8.9	6268	5625	643	10.3
STODDARD	12856	11378	1478	11.5	12672	11405	1267	10.0	12151	10682	1469	12.1
STONE	8083	6461	1622	20.1	8138	6587	1551	19.1	7562	5968	1594	21.1
SULLIVAN	3503	3293	210	6.0	3477	3279	198	5.7	3367	3102	265	7.9
TANEY	13180	10940	2240	17.0	13061	10841	2220	17.0	12293	9897	2396	19.5
TEXAS	9362	8066	1296	13.8	9544	8281	1263	13.2	9514	7787	1727	18.2
VERNON	8943	8359	584	6.5	8788	8332	456	5.2	8770	8141	629	7.2
WARREN	8843	8250	593	6.7	8812	8257	555	6.3	8178	7546	632	7.7
WASHINGTON	6383	5395	988	15.5	6405	5495	910	14.2	6350	4515	1835	28.9
WAYNE	4172	3454	718	17.2	4101	3419	682	16.6	4287	3555	732	17.1
WEBSTER	9437	8376	1061	11.2	9631	8613	1018	10.6	9018	8091	927	10.3
WORTH	1241	1176	65	5.2	1261	1183	78	6.2	1152	1066	86	7.5
WRIGHT	6871	6035	836	12.2	6814	6025	789	11.6	7040	6151	889	12.6

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
February, 1986

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2086.2	2086.5	2025.2									
Total Manufacturing	427.1	427.1	425.6	395.39	401.88	369.26	40.1	40.8	39.2	9.86	9.85	9.42
Durable Goods	244.6	243.5	242.1	445.05	451.07	406.80	41.4	42.2	40.0	10.75	10.76	10.17
Lumber & Wood Products	10.0	9.8	9.9	234.62	244.22	229.26	37.3	39.2	37.4	6.29	6.23	6.13
Furniture & Fixtures	10.2	10.2	10.2	303.56	314.50	307.58	41.3	42.5	43.2	7.35	7.40	7.12
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.5	10.8	10.2	468.60	467.86	411.27	42.6	43.2	40.4	11.00	10.83	10.18
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.0	709.60	614.24	534.48	46.9	42.1	39.3	15.13	14.59	13.60
Structural Clay Prod.	2.0	1.9	2.1	516.67	534.96	480.80	41.4	42.9	41.2	12.48	12.47	11.67
Other Stone, Clay & Glass	7.6	7.9	7.1									
Primary Metal Industries	12.6	12.3	13.5	416.12	430.03	452.99	40.4	40.8	40.7	10.30	10.54	11.13
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.7	1.7	2.0	359.08	395.01	372.91	38.2	41.8	41.9	9.40	9.45	8.90
Nonferrous Foundries	3.2	3.2	3.0	360.53	342.21	335.98	44.4	42.3	42.8	8.12	8.09	7.85
Other Primary Metals	7.8	7.4	8.5									
Fabricated Metal Products	28.3	28.5	28.2	407.83	416.37	374.66	41.7	42.4	39.9	9.78	9.82	9.39
Structural Metal Prod.	11.0	11.4	10.5	400.61	411.09	368.23	41.6	42.6	40.2	9.63	9.65	9.16
Other Fab. Metal Prod.	17.2	17.1	17.7									
Machinery Exc. Electrical	31.2	30.6	31.7	412.08	414.66	391.95	40.8	41.8	40.2	10.10	9.92	9.75
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	49.3	49.5	51.3	385.40	398.40	377.29	41.0	41.5	40.7	9.40	9.60	9.27
Transportation Equipment	73.2	72.9	68.5	617.48	620.84	529.14	43.7	44.0	39.4	14.13	14.11	13.43
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	37.3	37.5	32.7	656.76	660.21	555.88	45.2	45.5	38.9	14.53	14.51	14.29
Other Transportation Equip.	35.9	35.4	35.8									
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.9	11.9	11.7	315.21	310.87	287.74	39.9	39.4	40.3	7.90	7.89	7.14
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.3	7.1	6.9	239.08	260.82	243.94	34.4	38.3	37.3	6.95	6.81	6.54
Nondurable Goods	182.5	183.6	183.5	328.61	333.45	321.64	38.3	39.0	38.2	8.58	8.55	8.42
Food & Kindred Products	45.0	45.2	43.8	391.53	388.17	379.49	40.7	40.1	40.5	9.62	9.68	9.37
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	12.0	12.1	11.5	264.52	272.22	262.51	38.9	39.0	40.2	6.80	6.98	6.53
Dairy Products	6.5	6.3	6.1	420.11	400.06	394.70	43.4	41.5	41.9	9.68	9.64	9.42
Grain Mill Products	7.4	7.4	7.2	468.90	469.58	405.37	44.7	44.3	40.7	10.49	10.60	9.96
Bakery Products	5.5	5.5	5.3	373.54	386.61	375.55	38.0	38.7	37.0	9.83	9.99	10.15
Beverages	9.5	9.5	9.2	550.93	543.89	604.03	37.2	36.7	41.4	14.81	14.82	14.59

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Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred	4.2	4.4	4.5	429.84	388.17	386.11	43.2	40.1	40.6	9.95	9.68	9.51
Textile & Apparel	24.0	23.7	25.2	191.68	199.09	184.38	34.6	35.3	34.4	5.54	5.64	5.36
Paper & Allied Products	13.1	12.9	13.4	377.99	392.29	365.52	40.6	41.6	40.3	9.31	9.43	9.07
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	7.0	6.7	6.6	389.78	407.69	380.69	40.9	41.9	41.2	9.53	9.73	9.24
Other Paper Products	6.2	6.2	6.8									
Printing & Publishing	40.8	40.9	40.2	372.49	369.33	366.15	38.6	39.0	37.4	9.65	9.47	9.79
Commercial Printing	13.3	13.4	13.0	433.88	418.80	433.88	40.1	40.0	40.1	10.82	10.47	10.82
Other Printing	27.5	27.5	27.2									
Chemicals & Allied	28.6	28.7	29.1	432.61	454.16	445.52	39.4	41.4	41.1	10.98	10.97	10.84
Leather & Leather Products	17.3	18.2	17.9	185.81	201.76	178.28	33.6	35.9	33.2	5.53	5.62	5.37
Footwear Exc. Rubber	13.8	14.7	14.4	176.22	196.18	169.98	33.0	35.8	32.5	5.34	5.48	5.23
Other Leather Prod.	3.5	3.5	3.5									
Other Nondurable Goods	13.7	14.0	14.0									
Total Nonmanufacturing	1659.1	1659.4	1599.6									
Mining	5.5	6.0	5.9									
Construction	85.4	89.7	75.9									
Transportation & Public Util.	142.2	142.5	139.0									
Railroad Transportation	17.0	17.1	14.8									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	69.7	70.7	70.6									
Communications	55.4	54.7	53.6									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	506.7	512.7	482.7									
Wholesale Trade	129.6	130.2	129.7									
Retail Trade	377.1	382.4	353.0									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	121.2	121.3	117.4									
Services	459.3	456.5	440.0									
Government	338.9	330.7	338.8									
Federal Government	70.9	70.6	70.1									
State & Local Government	268.0	260.2	268.8									

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far this year may be less than expected. Unemployment rose sharply in February, the seasonally adjusted civilian rate jumping six-tenths of a percentage point to 7.3 percent, about the rate prevailing a year ago. This was the first monthly increase of this magnitude since 1980. The increase is not believed to be part of a trend, however; some of the increase in unemployment may have been a correction from January's reported improvement. The reported increase in unemployment apparently was concentrated in three states -- California, Illinois, and Texas. Industrially, the largest increases were among agricultural workers and those in the transportation and utilities industries.

Total civilian employment dropped by about 400,000 on a seasonally adjusted basis, with half the decrease occurring in agriculture. In contrast, the number of nonfarm payroll jobs increased by about 225,000. Gains in the service-producing sector offset declines in the goods-producing sector. Over the past year, both total civilian employment and nonfarm payroll employment have shown strong gains -- about 2 and 3 million, respectively.

Outlook

The economy may not be performing as strongly this quarter as earlier thought, but continued growth is expected. The government's index of leading economic indicators -- a key measure of future economic activity -- dropped in January for the first time in nine months, which seemed to point to a weakening of the economy. When additional data became available, the January index was revised upward to about December's level. Further, the index began to climb again in February. Most indicators seem to point to continued economic growth, if at only a moderate rate.

The upward trend in Missouri's employment, with slowly dropping unemployment, is expected to continue. Seasonal improvement should begin in March and accelerate in April.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments Missouri — February, 1986

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,440,900	2,433,300	2,390,900	7,600	50,000
Total Employed	2,270,000	2,270,000	2,196,400	0	73,600
Total Unemployed	170,900	163,300	194,500	7,600	-23,600
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	7.0	6.7	8.1	0.3	-1.1
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	2,086,200	2,086,500	2,025,200	-300	61,000
Manufacturing	427,100	427,100	425,600	0	1,500
Durable Goods	244,600	243,500	242,100	1,100	2,500
Nondurable Goods	182,500	183,600	183,500	-1,100	-1,000
Nonmanufacturing	1,659,100	1,659,400	1,599,600	-300	59,500
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	8,943	13,634	10,343	-4,691	-1,400
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	63,608	70,880	67,941	-7,272	-4,333
Insured Unemployment Rate	3.7	3.0	3.6	0.7	0.1
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	3,718	4,692	4,176	-974	-458
Amount of Benefits Paid	$22,929,817	$24,326,983	$22,093,719	-$1,397,166	$836,098
State U.I.	22,565,104	23,866,235	21,760,157	-1,301,131	804,947
UCFE	165,302	219,753	153,823	-54,451	11,479
UCX	199,411	240,995	179,739	-41,584	19,672

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

February, 1986

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Layoffs in Retail Trade and Construction pushed the Area's unemployment rate up 0.3 of a percentage point to 5.4 per cent in February 1986. Not since 1983 has the Area's unemployment rate recorded an increase during the month of February. One factor contributing to the rise in the rate was the modest increase in the Area's civilian labor force, seeking work during this relatively tight month. This marked only the fourth time in 13 years that the Area's labor force has expanded during a month that usually shows moderate withdrawals. Despite the monthly losses in employment, unemployment was slightly lower than the level recorded a year ago.

Wage and salaried employment in February 1986 was 691,400, up slightly by 200 from the January 1986 total of 691,200. Manufacturing fell by 500 jobs, scattered widely among most of the industrial sector. Most of the major employment movements occurred in the Nonmanufacturing sector, which gained a modest 700 jobs over-the-month. School personnel and tax processors accounted for almost all the jobs gained in the sector. The Government sector contributed the bulk of the jobs gained over the period. The return of school personnel after the winter break added 1,900 jobs to the Area's 2,400 jobs added in Government. The other 500 jobs were added in Federal Government sector as additional tax processors were hired. The end of the winter semester break also contributed the bulk of 600 jobs added in the Services industry. Wholesale and Retail Trade and Construction were the big losers over-the-month. Retail Trade fell by 1,800 jobs as a result of layoffs in department stores, apparel, automotive and miscellaneous retail stores. Jobs in Wholesale Trade dropped slightly, while Construction lost 500 jobs over-the-month.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 11,300 from February 1985 to February 1986, with a gain of 500 jobs in Durable Goods Manufacturing, a loss of 600 jobs in Nondurable Goods Manufacturing and a gain of 11,400 jobs in Nonmanufacturing. With the exception of Construction, which fell slightly below 1985 levels, almost all other Nonmanufacturing industries showed substantial gains over-the-year. Retail Trade recorded the most significant gain over year ago levels with an increase of 6,200 jobs over the period. Wholesale Trade was virtually unchanged from its year ago total. Services showed a gain of 2,500 jobs over-the-year, while Finance, Insurance and Real Estate added 600 jobs over the February 1985 total. Government added 2,100 jobs over the period, with State and Local contributing 2,000 of those jobs. Federal Government showed little change over-the-period.

In Manufacturing, losses of 600 were recorded in Electrical and Electronic Equipment while Primary Metals also posted 300 fewer jobs than last year at this time. Gains of 500 in Fabricated Metals and 400 in Motor Vehicles offset losses elsewhere in the Durable Goods Manufacturing sector and kept overall losses to a minimum. Losses were more prevalent in the Nondurable Goods sector, despite the gain of 600 jobs in Chemicals.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 42,000 in February 1986 for 5.4 per cent of the labor force, compared with 39,700 in January 1986 for 5.1 per cent of the labor force and 43,600 in February 1985 for 5.5 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

Seasonal factors are expected to bring the Area's unemployment rate down in March 1986. Improvements in several of the Area's seasonal industries are expected. Construction and Services will begin to show employment increases during the month. Federal Government will continue to show gains as the tax processing effort is stepped up. Retail Trade may begin to rebound from its winter slump. Unemployment is expected to be 5.2 per cent of the labor force in March 1986, compared to 5.4 per cent in February 1986 and 4.9 per cent in March 1985.

Continued gains in the Area's seasonal industries should push the unemployment rate down further in April 1986. Construction, Services, Retail Trade and Government should all show higher employment levels. Manufacturing may show little change. Unemployment is expected to be 5.0 per cent of the labor force in April 1986, compared to 4.4 per cent in April 1985.

Kansas City Area - Missouri Job Service Statistics

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 32,135 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of February 1986.

Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics	Per Cent
Age: Under 22	15.6
22-44	68.4
45 and over	16.0
Sex: Male	63.0
Female	37.0
Racial or Ethnic Group	
Black	28.8
Other Non-White	0.9
Hispanic	1.9
Miscellaneous Characteristics	Per Cent
Unemployment Insurance Claimants	49.0
Veterans	19.6
Handicapped	2.2

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated February 28, 1986.

Job Placements

During February 1986, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 6,694 and job placements totaled 1,436. There were 1,494 veteran referrals in February 1986, with 248 veteran placements. During January 1986, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 8,367 and job placements totaled 1,997. There were 1,612 veteran referrals in January 1986, with 298 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated February 28, 1986.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed in the Kansas City Area (Missouri Side Only) February 1986

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	14.4	14.6	14.5
25-34	38.7	34.9	37.4
35-44	23.1	23.1	23.1
45-54	13.0	15.8	14.0
55-64	9.9	10.1	10.0
65 and over	0.7	1.4	0.9
Unreported	0.2	0.1	0.1

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	0.7
Mining	0.4
Construction	22.1
Manufacturing	23.3
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	7.5
Wholesale & Retail Trade	18.3
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.6
Services	23.1
All Other	2.0
Information not available	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	9.2
Clerical	13.5
Sales	3.6
Services	10.1
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	0.9
Processing	1.6
Machine Trades	6.9
Benchwork	9.2
Structural Work	14.0
Miscellaneous	16.0
Information not available	15.0

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 8,997; 5,937 were male and 3,060 were female.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1985)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current:** February, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	691,400	691,200	680,100	+200	+11,200
Total Manufacturing	119,000	119,500	119,100	-500	-100
Durable Goods	68,000	68,300	67,500	-300	+500
Lumber & Furniture	3,200	3,300	3,200	-100	0
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,700	3,800	3,500	-100	+200
Primary Metal Industries	3,500	3,500	3,800	0	-300
Fabricated Metal Products	9,500	9,500	9,000	0	+500
Machinery Except Electrical	7,800	7,800	7,600	0	+200
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	20,900	21,100	21,500	-200	-600
Transportation Equipment	15,500	15,600	15,100	-100	+400
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(15,300)	(15,400)	(14,900)	(-100)	(+400)
Other Durable Goods	3,900	3,900	3,800	0	-100
Nondurable Goods	51,000	51,200	51,600	-200	-600
Food & Kindred Products	9,300	9,300	9,500	-200	-200
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,400	2,300	2,500	+100	-100
Paper & Allied Products	5,600	5,600	5,600	0	0
Printing & Publishing	19,900	20,000	20,100	-100	-200
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,800	8,700	8,200	+100	-200
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	4,500	4,600	5,100	-100	-600
Total Nonmanufacturing	572,400	571,700	561,000	+700	+11,400
Mining & Quarrying	500	500	500	0	0
Construction	25,600	26,100	25,700	-500	-100
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	52,800	52,600	52,800	+200	0
Wholesale & Retail Trade	183,600	185,600	177,300	-2,000	+6,300
Wholesale Trade	(55,600)	(55,800)	(55,500)	(-200)	(+100)
Retail Trade	(128,000)	(129,800)	(121,800)	(-1,800)	(+6,200)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	52,100	52,100	51,500	0	+600
Services	151,000	150,400	148,500	+600	+2,500
Government	106,800	104,400	104,700	+2,400	+2,100
Federal Government	(29,300)	(28,800)	(29,200)	(+500)	(+100)
State & Local Government	(77,500)	(75,600)	(75,500)	(+1,900)	(+2,000)
In Labor-Management Disputes	300	300	100	0	+200

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data: February, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	\$445.28	\$452.97	\$446.20	39.9	40.3	41.2	\$11.16	\$11.24	\$10.83
Durable Goods	485.62	489.24	486.80	40.2	40.3	41.5	12.08	12.14	11.73
Lumber & Furniture	235.91	266.34	297.92	29.6	33.8	39.2	7.97	7.88	7.60
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	321.76	466.46	497.04	32.6	39.1	36.9	9.87	11.93	13.47
Primary Metal Industries	341.87	425.96	495.71	32.1	38.1	40.9	10.65	11.18	12.12
Fabricated Metal Products	388.05	382.39	369.15	39.0	39.3	40.3	9.95	9.73	9.16
Machinery Exc. Electrical	434.28	387.46	420.97	38.5	38.4	40.4	11.28	10.09	10.42
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	449.25	440.06	484.34	40.4	38.5	42.9	11.12	11.43	11.29
Transportation Equipment	728.83	729.14	639.11	46.9	46.8	43.3	15.54	15.54	14.76
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(734.61)	(736.02)	(644.06)	(47.0)	(47.0)	(43.4)	(15.63)	(15.66)	(14.84)
Other Durable Goods	244.90	211.50	261.26	35.7	30.0	37.7	6.86	7.05	6.93
Nondurable Goods	379.42	393.73	378.51	39.4	40.3	40.7	9.63	9.77	9.30
Food & Kindred Products	360.04	386.98	410.18	41.1	41.3	42.2	8.76	9.37	9.72
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	201.35	196.20	202.54	35.7	36.0	37.3	5.64	5.45	5.43
*Paper & Allied Products	455.28	469.80	379.13	44.0	45.7	41.3	10.12	10.28	9.18
Printing & Publishing	404.70	392.54	386.25	38.0	37.6	37.5	10.65	10.44	10.30
Chemicals & Allied Products	436.24	494.08	483.91	38.3	41.8	44.6	11.39	11.82	10.85
Petroleum & Coal Products	443.75	350.40	358.11	35.7	36.5	38.3	12.43	9.60	9.35
Other Nondurable Goods	370.72	288.98	281.52	38.4	41.7	41.4	7.05	6.93	6.80

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

February, 1986

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate increased from 7.1% in January to 7.7% in February. This large increase follows January's small rise from the December 1985 rate of 6.9%. Most of the movement in the unemployment rate over the past 2 months has been weather related. During January, employment and unemployment registered little change because of the mild weather. Outdoor activities, such as construction, were at record high January levels. In February, St. Louis experienced more typical winter weather that caused employment declines in the above mentioned activities. The unemployment rate therefore increased to a winter level that is normal after a December 6.9 rate. March weather conditions have been mostly seasonal and therefore the unusual fluctuations in the area's rate is not expected to continue. Over the year, the number of area unemployed residents has declined by 6400 while total employment rose 46,700. The unemployment rate in February, 1985 was 8.6%. Significant job creation over the past 12 months occurred in transportation equipment, manufacturing, construction, trade, finance and services. There were 300 labor disputants in February, 200 in January and 100 in February, 1985.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment rose 300 over the month. Transportation equipment continued to add workers. Employment in that industry was up 500 over January. Stone, clay and glass experienced a seasonal decline of 200 due to the weather related slowdown in construction. Over the year, manufacturing is up 2900.

In February, 1985 1700 auto workers were affected by a temporary layoff for model change-over. These workers are currently employed and a second shift of workers has been added at another auto assembly plant over the past year. These two occurances caused motor vehicle employment to rise by 4700. Aircraft continued to employ 1200 more workers than 1985. Five other manufacturing industries registered small gains. These industries are lumber (+200), stone (+100), electrical equipment (+300), instruments (+100) and other nondurables (+100).

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing declined 1600 over the month. Seasonal job losses occurred in trade, construction and transportation. Non-teaching school personnel returned to work after their holiday layoffs in January. Private school seasonal gains affected services (+1300) while public schools raised government employment levels (+2800). Over the year, nonmanufacturing employment rose 27,200. Services, up 10,300, continues to be responsible for a large portion of the overall job growth. Service sectors registering significant gains are business services, automotive repair, health care (after suffering losses in 1984 and the first half of 1985) and miscellaneous professional services. The only major nonmanufacturing industries reporting declines over the year were transportation and local government.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

State UI continued claimants in the MSA were up 1500 in February from January. In the Missouri portion of the MSA they were up 600 and in the Illinois portion they were up 900.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	Nov.	Dec.	Jan. '86	Feb.
INA	2	0	0	3
Agriculture	40	76	154	149
Mining	27	38	34	60
Construction	1566	2761	3316	4576
Manufacturing Total	3716	3588	4255	4661
Food	488	492	484	590
Textile	23	19	46	47
Apparel	152	143	290	183
Lumber	37	44	49	67
Furniture	89	76	88	125
Paper	90	94	87	135
Printing	163	148	168	150
Chemicals	323	249	252	253
Petroleum	21	27	26	28
Rubber	114	118	148	205
Leather	174	182	188	167
Stone	77	81	99	127
Primary Metal	154	155	247	253
Fabricated Metal	510	489	560	731
Machinery	106	119	112	143
Electrtical Machinery	396	346	432	466
Transportation Equip.	234	236	309	235
Instruments	31	20	26	27
Miscellaneous	541	549	637	728
Public Utilities	752	644	767	973
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2252	2102	2280	2800
Finance	318	313	267	312
Services	5526	5265	5991	6597
All Other	289	300	322	354
TOTAL	14488	15087	17386	20485

Of the 20,485 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in February, 1986, 68.2 percent were male and 31.8 percent were female.

The occupational distribution of the intrastate Missouri resident claimant is:

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	Nov.	Dec.	Jan. '86	Feb.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1855	1642	1725	1875
Clerical	2386	2204	2340	2580
Sales	634	546	614	662
Farm, Fish & Forest	103	204	288	321
Processing	316	298	348	398
Machine Trades	1129	1133	1272	1482
Bench Work	762	701	825	948
Structural Work	1445	1768	2329	2733
Misc. Work	9043	1975	2275	2811
Domestic	51	45	63	60
Other Services	2052	2038	2279	2679
INA	1851	2533	3028	3936
TOTAL	14488	15087	17386	20485

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1985 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Min.	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	45.0	15.3	19.8	40.8	2.1
Placements, %	44.0	12.2	38.4	39.9	2.2

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1986 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	**Openings Received Percent**	**Openings Filled Percent**
Professional, Technical & Managerial	5.5	1.6
Clerical	15.4	12.2
Sales	15.2	17.7
Processing	1.6	1.8
Machine Trades	5.1	3.4
Bench Work	3.4	4.0
Structural Work	12.1	14.1
Motor Freight & Trans.	3.9	3.5
Packaging & Material Handling	8.8	11.3
Domestic	1.0	0.9
Other Services	27.0	28.5
Other Occupations	1.0	1.0

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemloyment rate in March, 1986 is expected to be about 7.3%.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area **Month and Year of Current:** February, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,063,000	1,064,300	1,032,900	-1,300	+30,100
Percent Change				-(0.1)	+(2.9)
Manufacturing	224,700	224,400	221,800	+300	+2,900
Durable Goods	142,100	141,600	137,500	+500	+4,600
Lumber & Furniture	4,700	4,700	4,500	0	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,100	3,300	3,000	-200	+100
Primary Metal Industries	13,600	13,700	15,000	-100	-1,400
Fabricated Metal Products	17,000	17,000	17,300	0	-300
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,000	17,900	18,600	+100	-600
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,700	15,700	15,400	0	+300
Transportation Equipment	57,100	56,600	51,000	+500	+6,100
Motor Vehicles	22,000	21,900	17,300	+100	+4,700
Aircraft & Parts	29,000	28,700	27,800	+300	+1,200
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	12,900	12,800	12,800	+100	+100
Nondurable Goods	82,600	82,800	84,300	-200	-1,700
Food & Kindred Products	20,900	20,900	20,900	0	0
Meat Products	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0
Beverages	8,200	8,200	8,100	0	0
Textiles & Apparel	6,200	6,300	6,600	-100	-400
Paper & Paper Products	5,700	5,700	5,900	0	-200
Printing & Publishing	16,400	16,300	16,500	+100	-100
Chemical & Allied Products	20,300	20,400	21,000	-100	-700
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,800	2,700	2,800	+100	0
Leather & Leather Products	4,700	4,600	5,000	+100	-300
Other Nondurable Goods	5,700	5,800	5,600	-100	+100
Nonmanufacturing	838,300	839,900	811,100	-1,600	+27,200
Mining	3,600	3,600	3,600	0	0
Construction	49,900	51,900	45,000	-2,000	+4,900
Transportation & Public Utilities	71,400	71,900	71,700	-500	-300
Railroads	4,700	4,700	5,400	0	-700
Transportation, Except Railroads	38,300	38,800	38,600	-500	-300
Communications & Public Utilities	28,400	28,400	27,800	0	+600
Wholesale & Retail Trade	252,300	255,200	243,900	-2,900	+8,400
Wholesale Trade	64,700	65,000	64,400	-300	+300
Retail Trade	187,600	190,200	179,500	-2,600	+8,100
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	66,300	66,400	63,300	-100	+3,000
Service, Except Domestic	256,700	255,400	246,400	+1,300	+10,300
Total Government	138,200	135,400	137,200	-2,800	+1,000
Total Federal Government	38,400	38,400	37,100	0	+1,300
Total State & Local Government	99,800	96,900	100,100	+2,900	-300
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	300	200	100	+100	+200

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: St. Louis Metropolitan Area **Month and Year of Current Data: February, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$453.86	$467.10	$427.58	40.2	41.3	38.8	$11.29	$11.31	$11.02
Durable Goods	482.10	497.87	442.34	41.1	42.3	38.7	11.73	11.77	11.43
Lumber & Furniture	317.19	364.31	340.66	36.5	40.3	40.7	8.69	9.04	8.37
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	315.81	344.62	355.87	31.9	34.6	35.2	9.90	9.96	10.11
Primary Metal Industries	434.68	487.46	459.42	40.1	43.1	39.0	10.84	11.31	11.78
Fabricated Metal Products	433.01	445.20	410.80	41.2	42.0	40.0	10.51	10.60	10.27
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	459.09	476.11	448.51	41.1	42.7	40.7	11.17	11.15	11.02
Elect & Electronic Equip.	398.29	416.75	317.00	40.6	41.8	38.8	9.81	9.97	8.17
Transportation Equipment	613.87	617.81	541.55	43.2	43.6	37.4	14.21	14.17	14.48
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	306.82	315.44	292.53	37.6	38.8	37.6	8.16	8.13	7.78
Nondurable Goods	400.40	409.22	400.42	38.5	39.5	38.8	10.40	10.36	10.32
Food & Kindred Products	496.53	493.52	489.57	40.5	39.8	39.9	12.26	12.40	12.27
Textiles & Apparel	201.25	205.18	198.49	32.2	33.2	33.7	6.25	6.18	5.89
Paper & Paper Products	391.68	406.43	403.92	41.1	41.9	40.8	9.53	9.70	9.90
Printing & Publishing	375.55	376.38	385.67	37.0	37.6	37.7	10.15	10.01	10.23
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	474.38	505.01	460.16	40.1	43.2	40.4	11.83	11.69	11.39
Petroleum & Coal Products	590.40	623.57	623.38	41.0	44.1	43.2	14.40	14.14	14.43
Leather & Leather Products	183.71	188.94	191.17	32.4	33.5	35.6	5.67	5.64	5.37
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

February, 1986

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA labor force expanded from 112,700 in January to 113,400 in February. This results from increases in employment and unemployment of 600 and 100 respectively. The February preliminary unemployment rate, estimated at 5.3 percent, decreased from 5.4 percent in January.

During February 1985, there were 6,600 persons unemployed and the rate of unemployment was calculated at 6.1 percent.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Overall payrolled employment, estimated at 98,900 for February, shows no change from January.

Manufacturing jobs are down 300 from January and 1,200 below February, 1985. During both time periods, job reductions occurred in the durable manufacturing segment while the nondurable group was characterized by stability.

Nonmanufacturing jobs rose 300 from January to reach 80,400 in February. Nonmanufacturing industries recording significant changes in employment levels since January include: construction, down 300; transportation and utilities, down 100; trade, down 200; services, up 200; and government, up 900. Local government rebounded as schools resumed following the semester break that was in progress at the time of the January survey.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers rose eight cents from January to reach $9.05 in February. The average factory work week fell from 40.0 in January to 38.3 in February. The net result of these two influences dropped average weekly earnings by $12.18 from January to $346.62 in February.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current: February, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	98,900	98,900	96,500	0	+2,400
Manufacturing	18,500	18,800	19,700	-300	-1,200
Durable Goods	9,300	9,600	10,600	-300	-1,300
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0
Other Durable Goods	8,300	8,600	9,700	-300	-1,400
Nondurable Goods	9,200	9,200	9,100	0	+100
Food Processing	3,700	3,700	3,800	0	-100
Printing & Publishing	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,800	3,800	3,700	0	+100
Nonmanufacturing	80,400	80,100	76,800	+300	+3,600
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	3,900	4,200	3,300	-300	+600
Transportation & Utilities	5,900	6,000	6,200	-100	-100
Trade	27,300	27,500	26,300	-200	+1,000
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,600	4,600	4,500	0	+100
Services	25,200	25,000	23,200	+200	+2,000
Government	13,400	12,500	13,300	+900	+100
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	11,700	10,800	11,600	+900	+100
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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Since February 1985, average hourly earnings are up 56 cents, average weekly hours are down 1.7 hours and average weekly earnings are up $14.66.

Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Payrolled employment is expected to rise slightly during March. This increase will mostly reflect normal seasonal changes in the nonmanufacturing sector. The rate of unemployment will probably inch downward two or three-tenths of a percentage point nearing the 5.0 percent level.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: February, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$346.62	$358.80	$331.96	38.3	40.0	39.1	$9.05	$8.97	$8.49
Durable Goods	342.76	341.38	318.20	41.0	40.4	38.9	8.36	8.45	8.18
Nondurable Goods	352.29	379.20	355.61	35.3	39.5	39.6	9.98	9.60	8.98
Food & Kindred Products	375.18	403.39	377.90	33.8	37.7	41.3	11.10	10.70	9.15
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Missouri Area Labor Trends

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A Monthly Review of Missouri Labor Market Information

Missouri Labor Market Review

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Missouri unemployment dropped sharply in March, as the spring seasonal improvement in the labor markets took hold. The unemployment rate dropped a full percentage point, to 6.1 percent, while the number of jobless Missourians fell by more than 21,000 to 150,900. The over-the-year decline in unemployment was about equal to the monthly drop.

Total employment experienced a substantial gain, climbing by 49,100 to 2,318,900. Since March 1985, employment has grown by 73,900. Although much of the March improvement in both employment and unemployment was probably seasonal, the underlying improvement of labor market conditions also appears to be continuing.

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased by 25,700 jobs in March. Seasonal improvement in construction accounted for 8500 jobs, while services grew by 8700, and retail trade by 5700. Manufacturing employment grew by 2000 jobs, mostly in the stone, clay, and glass; transportation equipment other than automobilies; and food and kindred products industries. Automobile employment remained strong; March employment in the motor vehicles and equipment industry was 37,100, a gain of about 3800 jobs from a year ago.

The manufacturing workweek edged up a tenth of an hour to 40.4 hours in March, an increase of three-tenths of an hour from March 1985. Average weekly earnings of manufacturing production workers climbed by $20.61 during the year, partly due to the increase in hours and partly to a gain of 44 cents in average hourly earings.

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

National unemployment edged down only insignificantly

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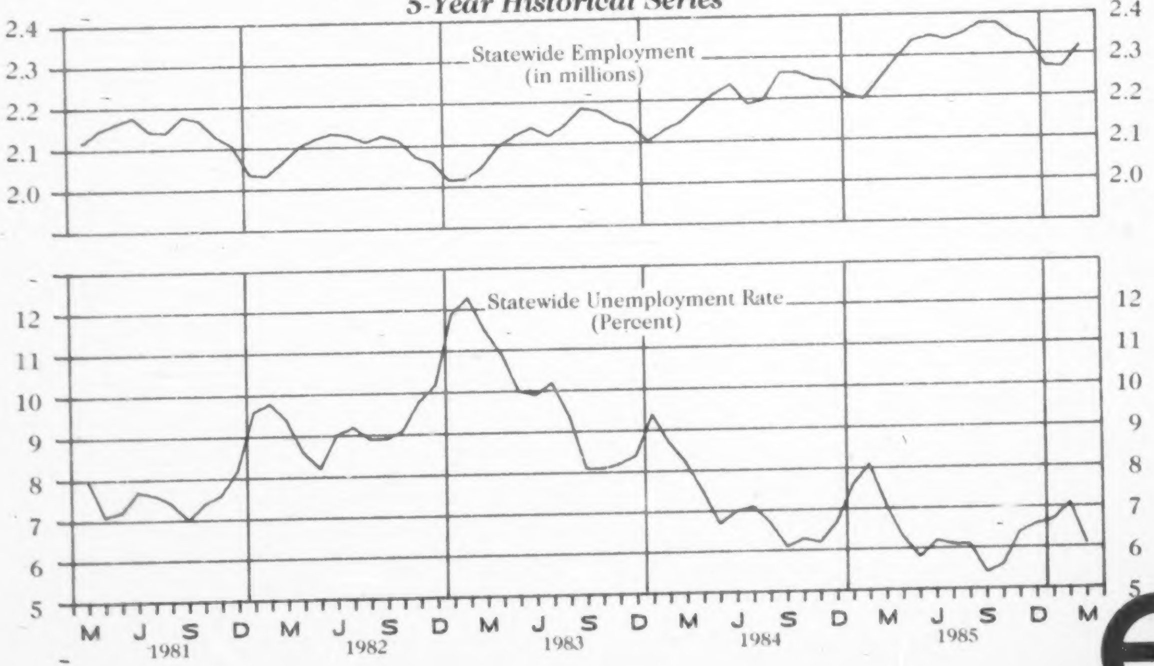

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY - A Division of the Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

Table 1

MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - MAR 1986 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - FEB 1986 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - MAR 1985 (BENCHMARKED 1985)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2469760	2318866	150894	6.1	2442299	2269829	172470	7.1	2416308	2244985	171323	7.1
ST. LOUIS MSA	1218629	1135490	83139	6.8	1213607	1118404	95203	7.8	1183209	1095723	87486	7.4
KANSAS CITY MSA	801534	762363	39171	4.9	795381	752942	42439	5.3	795329	755999	39330	4.9
SPRINGFIELD MSA	114904	109647	5257	4.6	113444	107507	5937	5.2	110864	104989	5875	5.3
COLUMBIA MSA	59117	57141	1976	3.3	58524	56362	2162	3.7	59754	57124	2630	4.4
JOPLIN MSA	66318	62802	3516	5.3	65334	61346	3988	6.1	64296	60294	4002	6.2
ST. JOSEPH MSA	42231	38939	3292	7.8	42532	38745	3787	8.9	41052	37913	3139	7.6
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	13643	12776	867	6.4	13351	12386	965	7.2	13498	12406	1092	8.1
ANDREW	7709	7245	464	6.0	7579	6976	603	8.0	6903	6527	376	5.4
ATCHISON	3117	2949	168	5.4	3026	2822	204	6.7	3399	3074	325	9.6
AUDRAIN	10247	9550	697	6.8	10021	9312	709	7.1	11214	9962	1252	11.2
BARRY	11988	11374	614	5.1	11704	10959	745	6.4	11477	10665	812	7.1
BARTON	5323	5135	188	3.5	5197	4998	199	3.8	5145	4929	216	4.2
BATES	6413	5863	550	8.6	6180	5580	600	9.7	6363	5891	472	7.4
BENTON	5515	4942	573	10.4	5299	4634	665	12.5	5226	4750	476	9.1
BOLLINGER	3625	3130	495	13.7	3499	2917	582	16.6	3783	3176	607	16.0
BUTLER	15791	13948	1843	11.7	15299	13527	1772	11.6	16536	14540	1996	12.1
CALDWELL	3185	2940	245	7.7	3143	2867	276	8.8	3189	2954	235	7.4
CALLAWAY	14600	13738	862	5.9	14479	13476	1003	6.9	15031	13714	1317	8.8
CAMDEN	13682	12659	1023	7.5	12765	11398	1367	10.7	12760	11728	1032	8.1
CAPE GIRARDEAU	32443	30933	1510	4.7	32062	30314	1748	5.5	31610	29891	1719	5.4
CARROLL	5317	4881	436	8.2	5154	4658	496	9.6	5000	4608	392	7.8
CARTER	1974	1646	328	16.6	2004	1564	440	22.0	2444	2100	344	14.1
CEDAR	4953	4623	330	6.7	4836	4441	395	8.2	4902	4512	390	8.0
CHARITON	4969	4685	284	5.7	4885	4536	349	7.1	4625	4260	365	7.9
CLARK	3714	3410	304	8.2	3772	3428	344	9.1	3671	3275	396	10.8
CLINTON	6143	5682	461	7.5	6023	5522	501	8.3	6551	6053	498	7.6
COLE/OSAGE LMA	38317	36498	1819	4.7	37824	35643	2181	5.8	37203	34949	2254	6.1
COOPER	6731	6277	454	6.7	6693	6117	576	8.6	6779	6234	545	8.0
CRAWFORD	6616	5982	634	9.6	6586	5807	779	11.8	7273	6333	940	12.9
DADE	2872	2692	180	6.3	2792	2593	199	7.1	2912	2761	151	5.2
DALLAS	3923	3565	358	9.1	3883	3379	504	13.0	3846	3369	477	12.4
DAVIESS	3698	3524	174	4.7	3635	3418	217	6.0	3675	3415	260	7.1
DEKALB	3928	3669	259	6.6	3866	3562	304	7.9	3734	3476	258	6.9
DENT	5568	5022	546	9.8	5313	4723	590	11.1	5522	4915	607	11.0
DOUGLAS	4971	4500	471	9.5	4928	4353	575	11.7	5050	4368	682	13.5
DUNKLIN	13508	12114	1394	10.3	13321	11738	1583	11.9	13679	11864	1815	13.3
GASCONADE	6981	6568	413	5.9	6825	6326	499	7.3	6888	6457	431	6.3
GENTRY	3168	2995	173	5.5	3044	2861	183	6.0	3256	3083	173	5.3
GRUNDY	5123	4837	286	5.6	5041	4680	361	7.2	5155	4835	320	6.2
HARRISON	4940	4596	344	7.0	4847	4467	380	7.8	4725	4451	274	5.8
HENRY	8805	8126	679	7.7	8594	7780	814	9.5	8640	8011	629	7.3
HICKORY	2917	2689	228	7.8	2756	2474	282	10.2	2517	2301	216	8.6
HOLT	2696	2542	154	5.7	2524	2338	186	7.4	2606	2387	219	8.4
HOWARD	4623	4390	233	5.0	4542	4239	303	6.7	4809	4486	323	6.7
HOWELL	12440	11353	1087	8.7	12322	11064	1258	10.2	13201	11571	1630	12.3
IRON	3564	3103	461	12.9	3529	3022	507	14.4	3582	2794	788	22.0
JOHNSON	17288	16569	719	4.2	16980	16170	810	4.8	17342	16735	607	3.5
KNOX	2195	2001	194	8.8	2085	1881	204	9.8	2182	1922	260	11.9
LACLEDE	11527	10647	880	7.6	11617	10498	1119	9.6	12164	11108	1056	8.7
LAWRENCE	13974	13146	828	5.9	13690	12747	943	6.9	13804	12805	999	7.2

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	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	5394	4849	545	10.1	5301	4697	604	11.4	5148	4650	498	9.7
LINCOLN	11559	10770	789	6.8	11483	10463	1020	8.9	10462	9601	861	8.2
LINN	6701	6196	505	7.5	6605	5931	674	10.2	6583	6008	575	8.7
LIVINGSTON	6741	6284	457	6.8	6646	6121	525	7.9	6663	6059	604	9.1
MACON	7507	6865	642	8.6	7485	6709	776	10.4	7740	7158	582	7.5
MADISON	4115	3708	407	9.9	4044	3611	433	10.7	4150	3633	517	12.5
MARIES	3857	3577	280	7.3	3805	3468	337	8.9	3932	3569	363	9.2
MARION/RALLS LMA	18352	16937	1415	7.7	18417	16579	1838	10.0	17535	15694	1841	10.5
MCDONALD	7737	7245	492	6.4	7664	7040	624	8.1	7063	6670	393	5.6
MERCER	1651	1536	115	7.0	1574	1453	121	7.7	1653	1537	116	7.0
MILLER	9704	8600	1104	11.4	9637	8080	1557	16.2	9104	7733	1371	15.1
MISSISSIPPI	6247	5517	730	11.7	6204	5340	864	13.9	6521	5530	991	15.2
MONITEAU	6194	5740	454	7.3	6015	5192	823	13.7	6033	5546	487	8.1
MONROE	5142	4872	270	5.3	4971	4652	319	6.4	4604	4303	301	6.5
MONTGOMERY	4955	4583	372	7.5	5031	4561	470	9.3	4940	4393	547	11.1
MORGAN	6224	5668	556	8.9	6160	5386	774	12.6	6674	6008	666	10.0
NEW MADRID	9132	8188	944	10.3	9123	8034	1089	11.9	9465	8320	1145	12.1
NODAWAY	10421	9931	490	4.7	10104	9514	590	5.8	10190	9653	537	5.3
OREGON	3577	3212	365	10.2	3511	3118	393	11.2	3743	3225	518	13.8
OZARK	3351	3074	277	8.3	3166	2795	371	11.7	3420	2998	422	12.3
PEMISCOT	8858	7996	862	9.7	8707	7752	955	11.0	8684	7779	905	10.4
PERRY	7908	7096	812	10.3	7664	7076	588	7.7	7502	6933	569	7.6
PETTIS	18459	17121	1338	7.2	18263	16643	1620	8.9	17635	16259	1376	7.8
PHELPS	16364	15484	880	5.4	16178	15082	1096	6.8	15832	14752	1080	6.8
PIKE	8462	7776	686	8.1	8321	7519	802	9.6	7690	6802	888	11.5
POLK	8956	8370	586	6.5	8636	7967	669	7.7	9415	8825	590	6.3
PULASKI	11925	11137	788	6.6	11625	10812	813	7.0	11596	10713	883	7.6
PUTNAM	2167	2035	132	6.1	2093	1928	165	7.9	2284	2094	190	8.3
RANDOLPH	12073	11325	748	6.2	12160	11201	959	7.9	11728	10843	885	7.5
REYNOLDS	1958	1607	351	17.9	1953	1557	396	20.3	2050	1598	452	22.0
RIPLEY	4240	3773	467	11.0	4131	3614	517	12.5	4141	3613	528	12.8
SALINE	11897	11301	596	5.0	11734	10908	826	7.0	11931	11249	682	5.7
SCOTLAND	2468	2310	158	6.4	2424	2232	192	7.9	2364	2193	171	7.2
SCOTT	17849	16441	1408	7.9	17609	16023	1586	9.0	17091	15450	1641	9.6
SHANNON	3036	2565	471	15.5	3039	2441	598	19.7	3374	2821	553	16.4
SHELBY	3634	3425	209	5.8	3551	3266	285	8.0	3515	3274	241	6.9
ST. CLAIR	3201	2976	225	7.0	3057	2818	239	7.8	3278	3059	219	6.7
ST. FRANCOIS	17773	16276	1497	8.4	17743	15866	1877	10.6	17832	15903	1929	10.8
STE. GENEVIEVE	7036	6497	539	7.7	6870	6214	656	9.5	6433	5838	595	9.2
STODDARD	13127	11827	1300	9.9	12857	11378	1479	11.5	12384	10998	1386	11.2
STONE	8069	6782	1287	15.9	8088	6461	1627	20.1	7632	6272	1360	17.8
SULLIVAN	3586	3391	195	5.4	3503	3293	210	6.0	3455	3201	254	7.4
[illegible]EY	13651	11918	1733	12.7	13204	10940	2264	17.1	12800	10666	2134	16.7
TEXAS	9724	8546	1178	12.1	9365	8066	1299	13.9	9487	8166	1321	13.9
VERNON	9098	8542	556	6.1	8937	8359	578	6.5	8794	8255	539	6.1
WARREN	9168	8632	536	5.8	8857	8250	607	6.9	8364	7844	520	6.2
WASHINGTON	6305	5487	818	13.0	6389	5395	994	15.6	6440	5394	1046	16.2
WAYNE	4227	3552	675	16.0	4175	3454	721	17.3	4219	3617	602	14.3
WEBSTER	9690	8820	870	9.0	9443	8376	1067	11.3	9243	8422	821	8.9
WORTH	1314	1243	71	5.4	1241	1176	65	5.2	1210	1135	75	6.2
WRIGHT	7027	6228	799	11.4	6871	6035	836	12.2	7187	6296	891	12.4

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
March, 1986

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2111.6	2085.9	2051.7									
Total Manufacturing	428.0	426.0	428.0	399.96	398.57	379.35	40.4	40.3	40.1	9.90	9.89	9.46
Durable Goods	244.8	243.4	244.1	453.00	450.43	420.81	42.1	41.9	41.5	10.76	10.75	10.14
Lumber & Wood Products	10.0	9.8	10.1	247.54	240.29	229.59	38.8	37.9	37.7	6.38	6.34	6.09
Furniture & Fixtures	10.3	10.3	10.2	320.05	332.32	301.04	44.7	45.9	42.4	7.16	7.24	7.10
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	11.4	10.5	10.7	443.88	452.24	436.16	41.1	41.3	42.1	10.80	10.95	10.36
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.0	509.38	709.60	536.35	37.9	46.9	39.7	13.44	15.13	13.51
Structural Clay Prod.	1.9	2.0	1.9	502.90	516.67	449.69	40.2	41.4	38.7	12.51	12.48	11.62
Other Stone, Clay & Glass	8.5	7.6	7.8									
Primary Metal Industries	12.5	12.4	13.6	442.54	442.39	444.80	40.9	41.5	40.4	10.82	10.66	11.01
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.7	1.7	2.0	380.21	380.25	358.50	39.4	39.9	40.6	9.65	9.53	8.83
Nonferrous Foundries	3.2	3.2	3.1	331.89	358.31	329.94	41.8	44.4	42.3	7.94	8.07	7.80
Other Primary Metals	7.7	7.6	8.5									
Fabricated Metal Products	28.3	28.2	28.7	414.06	406.29	385.43	41.2	41.5	40.7	10.05	9.79	9.47
Structural Metal Prod.	11.2	11.2	10.7	389.91	398.94	370.98	40.7	41.6	40.5	9.58	9.59	9.16
Other Fab. Metal Prod.	17.0	17.0	18.0									
Machinery Exc. Electrical	30.7	30.6	31.5	416.94	417.38	395.60	41.2	41.0	40.7	10.12	10.18	9.72
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	48.8	49.3	51.2	388.64	385.81	378.72	41.7	41.0	41.3	9.32	9.41	9.17
Transportation Equipment	73.9	73.3	69.3	621.89	622.25	575.52	44.2	44.1	44.0	14.07	14.11	13.08
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	37.1	37.4	33.3	675.44	665.93	627.46	46.2	45.8	45.8	14.62	14.54	13.70
Other Transportation Equip.	36.7	35.9	36.0									
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.9	11.9	11.9	318.00	314.42	288.23	39.9	39.8	40.2	7.97	7.90	7.17
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.0	7.1	7.0	268.62	261.50	239.36	39.1	38.4	36.6	6.87	6.81	6.54
Nondurable Goods	183.2	182.6	183.9	330.53	328.42	324.32	38.3	38.1	38.2	8.63	8.62	8.49
Food & Kindred Products	45.5	45.0	44.0	378.50	389.61	371.84	39.8	40.5	39.1	9.51	9.62	9.51
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	12.5	12.0	11.5	272.22	266.66	249.28	39.0	39.1	38.0	6.98	6.82	6.56
Dairy Products	6.3	6.3	6.1	421.45	418.35	393.34	42.7	42.3	41.8	9.87	9.89	9.41
Grain Mill Products	7.4	7.4	7.3	407.43	459.19	400.36	40.3	43.9	39.6	10.11	10.46	10.11
Bakery Products	5.5	5.5	5.3	386.06	376.15	372.13	38.8	38.5	37.4	9.95	9.77	9.95
Beverages	9.6	9.5	9.5	535.07	550.93	591.54	36.8	37.2	40.6	14.54	14.81	14.57

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Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred	4.2	4.3	4.4	411.17	421.09	387.72	43.1	43.1	37.9	9.54	9.77	10.23
Textile & Apparel	23.7	23.8	25.2	194.93	191.95	193.48	34.5	34.4	35.5	5.65	5.58	5.45
Paper & Allied Products	13.1	13.0	13.4	386.46	382.12	375.36	41.2	41.0	40.8	9.38	9.32	9.20
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	6.8	6.8	6.7	409.91	398.65	400.37	41.7	41.7	42.1	9.83	9.56	9.51
Other Paper Products	6.4	6.2	6.7									
Printing & Publishing	41.1	41.0	40.3	380.44	372.10	368.33	39.1	38.6	37.7	9.73	9.64	9.77
Commercial Printing	13.5	13.5	13.0	455.03	432.28	438.75	41.9	40.1	40.7	10.86	10.78	10.78
Other Printing	27.6	27.5	27.3									
Chemicals & Allied	28.8	28.6	29.2	442.82	442.49	446.49	40.7	40.3	41.0	10.88	10.98	10.89
Leather & Leather Products	17.3	17.7	17.5	179.82	172.22	181.15	32.4	31.6	33.3	5.55	5.45	5.44
Footwear Exc. Rubber	13.9	14.2	14.1	170.55	165.36	176.09	31.7	31.2	33.1	5.38	5.30	5.32
Other Leather Prod.	3.4	3.5	3.4									
Other Nondurable Goods	13.6	13.5	14.2									
Total Nonmanufacturing	1683.6	1659.9	1623.7									
Mining	6.0	5.5	6.2									
Construction	94.0	85.5	83.8									
Transportation & Public Util.	142.1	143.1	140.1									
Railroad Transportation	17.7	17.7	15.0									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	69.4	70.1	71.4									
Communications	54.9	55.2	53.7									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	513.1	507.6	490.1									
Wholesale Trade	129.5	129.7	131.0									
Retail Trade	383.6	377.9	359.1									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	121.9	121.3	117.9									
Services	467.2	458.5	447.8									
Government	339.3	338.4	337.8									
Federal Government	71.3	70.9	70.3									
State & Local Government	268.0	267.5	267.6									

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in March after increasing sharply in February. The seasonally adjusted civilian unemployment rate decreased a tenth of a percentage point to 7.2 percent. The current rate is substantially above January's 6.7 percent rate and only a tenth of a point below the year-earlier rate. Total civilian employment increased by more than 200,000 in March but has not yet regained January's level. About 600,000 more people were employed in March than a year ago.

Nonagricultural payroll employment edged up in March, but only because of growth in the service-producing industries, notably business and health services; retail trade; and finance, insurance, and real estate. Employment fell in the goods-producing industries, with continuing declines in oil and gas extraction being among the more prominent changes. Several manufacturing industries, including motor vehicles and equipment, also experienced drops.

Gross national product is estimated to have grown at a surprising 3.2 percent annual rate in the first quarter of 1986. This increase apparently reflects an improved trade balance, as the falling value of the dollar seems finally to be having some effect. Some other key economic indicators, including employment and unemployment data and the index of industrial production, have not shown the same improvement. Decreased production in the oil and automobile industries apparently account for much of the decrease in industrial production.

Outlook

Most forecasters seem to expect economic growth to continue or accelerate in the next few quarters, despite problems in some key industries, including the oil and automobile industries. The oil production industry has little direct representation in Missouri, and adverse indirect effects have not been evident in the state. The positive effects of lower gas prices on consumers and user industries may outweigh any of these. So far, decreased automobile sales have not reduced Missouri employment in the automobile industry, perhaps because the models made in Missouri remain in demand. A new round of sales incentives may lead to increased auto sales and thus reduce the likelihood of automobile layoffs in the state.

Seasonal effects should be dominant in the next few months in Missouri. Improvements in April may be even larger than in March, with further improvement occurring in May.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments Missouri — March, 1986

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,469,800	2,442,300	2,416,300	27,500	53,500
Total Employed	2,318,900	2,269,800	2,245,000	49,100	73,900
Total Unemployed	150,900	172,500	171,300	-21,600	-20,400
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	6.1	7.1	7.1	-1.0	-1.0
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	2,111,600	2,085,900	2,051,700	25,700	59,900
Manufacturing	428,000	426,000	428,000	2,000	0
Durable Goods	244,800	243,400	244,100	1,400	700
Nondurable Goods	183,200	182,600	183,900	600	-700
Nonmanufacturing	1,683,600	1,659,900	1,623,700	23,700	59,900
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	7,417	8,943	7,315	-1,526	102
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	54,976	63,608	56,705	-8,632	-1,729
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.9	3.7	3.1	-0.8	-0.2
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	3,850	3,718	4,316	132	-466
Amount of Benefits Paid	$22,020,305	$22,929,817	$21,256,530	-$909,512	$763,775
State U.I.	21,686,610	22,565,104	20,919,613	-878,494	766,997
UCFE	153,137	165,302	158,562	-12,165	-5,425
UCX	180,558	199,411	178,355	-18,853	2,203

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

March, 1986

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Fueled by seasonal increases in Construction, Retail Trade and Services, Civilian Employment grew by 9,500 persons and resulted in an 0.4 percentage point drop in the Area's Unemployment Rate in March 1986. The drop of 3,200 in the number of jobless persons, coupled with an expension in the Civilian Labor Force of 6,100, added 9,500 workers to the Area's employment number. The Unemployment Rate was 4.9 per cent and unchanged from March 1985 rate. Half the Area's Civilian Employment increase can be attributed to the net gain of 4,400 Nonagricultural Payroll Jobs recorded over-the-month. With only a few exceptions, most of these jobs werre added in the Nonmanufacturing sector. Compared to March 1985, the Area made only slight improvement. Unemployment was virtually unchanged, while Civilian Employment and Labor Force expanded by slightly over 6,000. Retail Trade contributed about 88 per cent of the net gain of 6,700 Nonagricultural Wage and Salaried Jobs over-the-year.

Wage and salaried employment in March 1986 was 696,100, up by 4,400 from the February 1986 total of 691,700. Manufacturing employment fell for the third month this year. The Area lost overall 600 Manufacturing jobs over-the-month, primarily in the Durable Goods Manufacturing sector. Electrical Equipment suffered additional losses of 400 in electrical and communications equipment. Together Motor Vehicles and Fabricated Metal Products lost 500 jobs. Within the Nondurable Goods Manufacturing sector, Food and Kindred and Printing and Publishing had slightly fewer jobs in March than in February. Among the Manufacturing industries, only Machinery showed modest gains over the period.

Growth in the seasonal Nonmanufacturing industries contributed the most substantial employment changes over-the-month. Construction employment climbed by 1,800 after two consecutive months of losses. Retail Trade rebounded from the seasonal losses recorded in January and February, with 1,200 additional jobs. Led by increased activity in agricultural services, building services and commercial sports, Services posted an increase of 1,000 jobs over-the-month. The additional hiring of workers in the Real Estate industry and in tax processing led to moderate increases in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate and Federal Government.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 6,700 from March 1985 to March 1986, despite losses of close to 500 in Durable Goods Manufacturing and losses of 900 in Nondurable Goods Manufacturing. Nonmanufacturing gained 8,100 jobs over-the-year as Retail Trade continued to make significant advances compared to first quarter figures last year. Despite scattered layoffs, Retail Trade added 5,900 jobs over the period. Local Government posted 1,800 more jobs this March than March 1985, primarily as a result of employment growth in local school districts. Led by agricultural and business services, Services employment grew by 700 jobs over-the-year. Small additional gains were posted in Federal Government and Wholesale Trade, which together accounted for 500 jobs. The major loser within the sector was Construction, which despite its monthly advance, fell by 6 per cent below last year's March level. Construction employment in all categories fell, although special trades fell more steeply with 61 per cent of the total loss of 1,700 jobs.

Employment changes in the Manufacturing sector compared to last year deteriorated slightly. Only two industries showed moderate gains over-the-year ago levels - Printing and Publishing jobs, which were up by 600 and Machinery which gained 400 more jobs. All other industries recorded losses or only slight increases. Employment in Electrical Equipment was down to 900 jobs, Chemicals fell by 600 jobs, Food and Kindred lost 300 jobs and Primary Metals fell by 400.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 39,200 in March 1986 for 4.9 per cent of the labor force, compared with 42,400 in February for 5.3 per cent of the labor force and 39,300 in March 1985 for 4.9 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

The unemployment rate for the Kansas City Area is expected to continue to fall slightly in April 1986. The drop in the rate will be accompanied by mixed changes in the labor market. Employment will continue to grow in the seasonal industries. Construction, Services, Retail Trade and Government are expected to add to the number of employed and further depress the rate. However, reports of layoffs and Area closings in several major Manufacturing industries during April 1986 will add an unfortunate sour note to a usually optimistic time of the year. Unemployment is expected to be 4.7 per cent of the labor force in April 1986, compared to 4.9 per cent in March 1986 and 4.4 per cent in April 1985.

May 1986 will continue to show employment increases and additional growth in the civilian labor force as many industries begin preparing for summer operations and the deluge of youth job seekers. The unemployment rate is expected to fall another 0.2 percentage points. Unemployment is expected to be 4.5 per cent of the labor force in May 1986 compared to 4.1 per cent in May 1985.

Kansas City Area - Missouri Job Service Statistics

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 32,323 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of March 1986. Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics		Per Cent
Age:	Under 22	15.5
	22-44	68.1
	45 and over	16.4
Sex:	Male	62.3
	Female	37.7
Racial or Ethnic Group		
	Black	29.2
	Other Non-White	1.0
	Hispanic	1.9

Miscellaneous Characteristics	Per Cent
Unemployment Insurance Claimants	50.4
Veterans	19.4
Handicapped	2.2

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated March 31, 1986.

Job Placements

During March 1986, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 8,566 and job placements totaled 1,626. There were 1,803 veteran referrals in March 1986, with 307 veteran placements. During January 1986, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 6,694 and job placements totaled 1,436. There were 1,494 veteran referrals in February 1986, with 248 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated March 31, 1986.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed in the Kansas City Area (Missouri Side Only)
March 1986

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	15.8	13.9	15.1
25-34	38.5	35.6	37.4
35-44	22.6	23.9	23.1
45-54	12.7	15.3	13.7
55-64	9.7	9.5	9.6
65 and over	0.7	1.7	1.1
Unreported	0.0	0.1	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	0.5
Mining	0.3
Construction	15.3
Manufacturing	27.2
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	6.4
Wholesale & Retail Trade	20.3
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.5
Services	25.9
All Other	1.7
Information not available	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	8.6
Clerical	15.8
Sales	3.9
Services	12.0
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	0.7
Processing	1.9
Machine Trades	7.6
Benchwork	11.6
Structural Work	11.3
Miscellaneous	15.6
Information not available	11.0

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 7,957; 4,845 were male and 3,112 were female.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1985)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas

Month and Year of Current: March, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	696,100	691,700	689,400	+4,400	+6,700
Total Manufacturing	118,400	119,000	119,800	-600	-1,400
Durable Goods	67,600	68,200	68,100	-600	-500
Lumber & Furniture	3,400	3,300	3,200	+100	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,800	3,800	3,600	0	+200
Primary Metal Industries	3,500	3,500	3,900	0	-400
Fabricated Metal Products	9,300	9,500	9,200	-200	+100
Machinery Except Electrical	8,000	7,700	7,600	+300	+400
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	20,600	21,000	21,500	-400	-900
Transportation Equipment	15,200	15,600	15,300	-400	-100
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(15,000)	(15,300)	(15,100)	(-300)	(-100)
Other Durable Goods	3,900	3,900	3,800	0	+100
Nondurable Goods	50,800	50,900	51,700	-100	-900
Food & Kindred Products	9,100	9,200	9,400	-100	-300
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,400	2,400	2,500	0	-100
Paper & Allied Products	5,600	5,600	5,600	0	0
Printing & Publishing	19,800	19,900	20,200	-100	-400
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,800	8,800	8,200	0	+600
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	4,400	4,400	5,100	0	-700
Total Nonmanufacturing	557,700	572,700	569,600	+50,00	+8,100
Mining & Quarrying	400	500	500	-100	-100
Construction	27,400	25,600	29,100	+1,800	-1,700
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	52,900	52,700	53,000	+200	-100
Wholesale & Retail Trade	185,300	183,900	179,200	+1,400	+6,100
Wholesale Trade	(55,900)	(55,700)	(55,700)	(+200)	(+200)
Retail Trade	(129,400)	(128,200)	(123,500)	(+1,200)	(+5,900)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	52,700	52,300	51,700	+400	+100
Services	152,000	151,000	151,300	+1,000	+700
Government	106,900	106,700	104,800	+200	+2,100
Federal Government	(29,600)	(29,200)	(29,300)	(+400)	(+300)
State & Local Government	(77,300)	(77,500)	(75,500)	(-200)	(+1,800)
In Labor-Management Disputes	300	300	100	0	+200

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data: March, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$447.83	$445.36	$449.19	40.2	39.8	41.4	$11.14	$11.19	$10.85
Durable Goods	481.20	482.80	489.90	40.0	40.1	41.8	12.03	12.04	11.72
Lumber & Furniture	264.65	250.16	295.86	35.1	34.6	39.5	7.54	7.23	7.49
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	391.32	336.67	492.48	36.2	33.4	40.6	10.81	10.08	12.13
Primary Metal Industries	532.53	450.69	478.58	40.1	36.2	40.8	13.28	12.45	11.73
Fabricated Metal Products	389.09	388.22	364.41	38.6	38.9	39.1	10.08	9.98	9.32
Machinery Exc. Electrical	395.85	430.14	414.46	37.7	37.6	40.2	10.50	11.44	10.31
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	425.96	438.20	484.92	38.1	39.3	42.8	11.18	11.15	11.33
Transportation Equipment	706.25	710.85	658.74	46.1	46.4	44.3	15.32	15.32	14.87
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(710.40)	(715.02)	(663.68)	(46.1)	(46.4)	(44.4)	(15.41)	(15.41)	(14.95)
Other Durable Goods	241.76	246.27	267.41	35.5	35.9	37.4	6.81	6.86	7.15
Nondurable Goods	392.28	384.35	380.14	40.4	39.3	40.7	9.71	9.78	9.34
Food & Kindred Products	393.54	373.27	406.39	42.0	41.2	42.2	9.37	9.06	9.63
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	187.25	187.52	206.09	36.5	36.2	37.2	5.13	5.18	5.54
*Paper & Allied Products	449.90	442.56	369.72	44.5	44.3	40.1	10.11	9.99	9.22
Printing & Publishing	408.39	403.86	399.50	38.6	38.1	38.9	10.58	10.60	10.27
Chemicals & Allied Products	448.63	441.56	473.43	40.2	37.2	43.0	11.16	11.87	11.01
Petroleum & Coal Products	449.32	443.75	375.75	36.5	35.7	39.1	12.31	12.43	9.61
Other Nondurable Goods	290.80	291.46	298.20	40.0	38.0	42.6	7.27	7.67	7.00

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

March, 1986

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate declined from 7.8% in February to 6.8% in March. The number of unemployed declined by 12100 while total employment rose by 17100. Significant increases in construction, trade, and services caused gains in total employment. These increases were the result of good weather, early Easter retail sales, and declining interest rates. Normal seasonal factors were also responsible for some of the increase. During the 1st. quarter of 1986, the area's rate has averaged 7.2%. This is the lowest first quarter average unemployment rate since 1979 when the first three months averaged 5.6%. Over the year, unemployment declined by 4400 while employment rose 39,800. The unemployment rate in March, 1985 was 7.4%. There were 1800 labor disputants in March, 200 in February, and less than 50 in March, 1985.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment declined 100 over the month. In primary metals a strike affecting 300 workers caused an employment decline. Stone, clay and glass registered a seasonal increase of 200 workers. Over the year, manufacturing has added 1600 workers. The increases continue to be concentrated in transportation equipment. Motor vehicles is up 4000 and aircraft has added 700 workers. Small increase (+200) have occurred in lumber, stone, electrical equipment, and other nondurables. Employment declines were reported by all other major manufacturing industries.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing employment rose 8200 over the month. Mild weather caused gains in construction and services. Service sectors reporting gains included agricultural services, hotels, and amusement and recreation. Early Easter season sales caused a 1600 increase in trade. Transportation was affected by a strike of 1500 airline workers. Over the year, nonmanufacturing rose 22900. The largest gains occurred in services (+9100), trade (+6600), and construction (+4000). Transportation was the only industry reporting employment declines.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

State UI continued claimants in the MSA were down 4100 in March from February. In the Missouri portion of the MSA they were down 2700 and in the Illinois portion they were down 1400.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	Dec.	Jan. '86	Feb.	Mar.
INA	0	0	3	5
Agriculture	76	154	149	135
Mining	38	34	60	32
Construction	2761	3316	4576	3077
Manufacturing Total	3588	4255	4661	4447
Food	492	484	590	514
Textile	19	46	47	37
Apparel	143	290	183	200
Lumber	44	49	67	70
Furniture	76	88	125	109
Paper	94	87	135	108
Printing	148	168	150	170
Chemicals	249	252	253	251
Petroleum	27	26	28	25
Rubber	118	148	205	181
Leather	182	188	167	246
Stone	81	99	127	86
Primary Metal	155	247	253	386
Fabricated Metal	489	560	731	702
Machinery	119	112	143	119
Electrtical Machinery	346	432	466	351
Transportation Equip.	236	309	235	200
Instruments	20	26	27	29
Miscellaneous	549	637	728	663
Public Utilities	644	767	973	817
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2102	2280	2800	2521
Finance	313	267	312	305
Services	5265	5991	6597	6129
All Other	300	322	354	198
TOTAL	15087	17386	20485	17666

Of the 17,666 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in March, 1986, 65.6 percent were male and 34.4 percent were female.

The occupational distribution of the intrastate Missouri resident claimant is:

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	Dec.	Jan. '86	Feb.	Mar.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1642	1725	1875	1679
Clerical	2204	2340	2580	2443
Sales	546	614	662	695
Farm, Fish & Forest	204	288	321	227
Processing	298	348	398	409
Machine Trades	1133	1272	1482	1365
Bench Work	701	825	948	864
Structural Work	1768	2329	2733	2116
Misc. Work	1975	2275	2811	2416
Domestic	45	63	60	55
Other Services	2038	2279	2679	2474
INA	2533	3028	3936	2923
TOTAL	15087	17386	20485	17666

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1985 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Min.	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	44.9	15.1	20.0	40.6	2.1
Placements, %	44.5	12.4	37.7	39.7	2.3

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1986 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	**Openings Received Percent**	**Openings Filled Percent**
Professional, Technical & Managerial	3.5	1.7
Clerical	16.2	12.8
Sales	14.8	17.1
Processing	1.6	1.9
Machine Trades	4.3	3.8
Bench Work	3.5	4.1
Structural Work	14.0	13.6
Motor Freight & Trans.	3.9	3.5
Packaging & Material Handling	8.9	11.4
Domestic	1.0	0.9
Other Services	27.0	28.2
Other Occupations	1.3	1.0

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemloyment rate in April, 1986 is expected to be about 6.7%.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area **Month and Year of Current:** March, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,070,100	1,062,000	1,045,500	+8,100	+24,600
Percent Change				+(0.8)	+(2.4)
Manufacturing	224,400	224,500	222,800	-100	+1,600
Durable Goods	141,800	142,000	138,300	-200	+3,500
Lumber & Furniture	4,700	4,700	4,500	0	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,400	3,200	3,200	+200	+200
Primary Metal Industries	13,300	13,600	14,700	-300	-1,400
Fabricated Metal Products	17,100	16,900	17,400	+200	-300
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,000	17,900	18,300	+100	-300
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,600	15,700	15,400	-100	+200
Transportation Equipment	56,800	57,100	51,900	-300	+4,900
Motor Vehicles	22,000	22,000	18,000	0	+4,000
Aircraft & Parts	28,700	29,000	28,000	-300	+700
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	12,800	12,900	12,900	-100	-100
Nondurable Goods	82,600	82,500	84,500	+100	-1,900
Food & Kindred Products	20,800	20,800	21,000	0	-200
Meat Products	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0
Beverages	8,100	8,100	8,300	0	-200
Textiles & Apparel	6,100	6,200	6,700	-100	-600
Paper & Paper Products	5,700	5,700	5,800	0	-100
Printing & Publishing	16,500	16,400	16,600	+100	-100
Chemical & Allied Products	20,400	20,300	21,100	+100	-700
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,700	2,800	2,800	-100	-100
Leather & Leather Products	4,600	4,600	4,900	0	-300
Other Nondurable Goods	5,700	5,700	5,500	0	+200
Nonmanufacturing	845,700	837,500	822,800	+8,200	+22,900
Mining	3,700	3,600	3,700	+100	0
Construction	52,400	49,800	48,400	+2,600	+4,000
Transportation & Public Utilities	71,100	71,500	72,100	-400	-1,000
Railroads	4,600	4,600	5,100	0	-500
Transportation, Except Railroads	37,900	38,300	39,100	-400	-1,200
Communications & Public Utilities	28,500	28,500	27,800	0	+700
Wholesale & Retail Trade	253,700	252,100	247,100	+1,600	+6,600
Wholesale Trade	64,900	64,600	64,800	+300	+100
Retail Trade	188,700	187,500	182,400	+1,200	+6,300
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	66,700	66,400	63,500	+300	+3,200
Service, Except Domestic	259,300	256,000	250,200	+3,300	+9,100
Total Government	139,000	138,100	137,700	+900	+1,300
Total Federal Government	38,500	38,400	37,200	+100	+1,300
Total State & Local Government	100,500	99,700	100,400	+800	+100
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	1,800	200	0	+1,600	+1,800

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: St. Louis Metropolitan Area **Month and Year of Current Data:** March, 1986

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$465.03	$456.92	$435.60	40.9	40.4	40.0	$11.37	$11.31	$10.89
Durable Goods	494.98	485.69	457.47	41.7	41.3	40.7	11.87	11.76	11.24
Lumber & Furniture	321.09	317.69	330.19	36.2	36.6	38.8	8.87	8.68	8.51
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	392.73	345.41	388.21	35.8	33.6	37.4	10.97	10.28	10.38
Primary Metal Industries	428.13	418.88	452.01	39.9	40.2	38.6	10.73	10.42	11.71
Fabricated Metal Products	444.52	431.96	424.15	41.7	41.1	41.3	10.66	10.51	10.27
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	469.96	463.30	449.63	41.7	41.0	41.1	11.27	11.30	10.94
Elect & Electronic Equip.	390.91	399.10	327.20	40.3	40.6	40.0	9.70	9.83	8.18
Transportation Equipment	639.80	628.21	578.93	44.4	43.9	42.6	14.41	14.31	13.59
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	315.40	305.63	288.38	38.0	37.5	37.5	8.30	8.15	7.69
Nondurable Goods	408.18	402.09	400.67	39.4	38.7	38.9	10.36	10.39	10.30
Food & Kindred Products	496.51	498.58	483.52	41.0	40.7	39.6	12.11	12.25	12.21
Textiles & Apparel	211.20	201.55	207.06	33.9	32.3	34.8	6.23	6.24	5.95
Paper & Paper Products	393.12	396.89	420.93	43.2	41.3	41.8	9.10	9.61	10.07
Printing & Publishing	388.96	375.55	386.06	37.4	37.0	37.3	10.40	10.15	10.35
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	483.95	477.96	462.17	40.6	40.3	40.9	11.92	11.86	11.30
Petroleum & Coal Products	590.19	590.40	588.00	40.9	41.0	42.0	14.43	14.40	14.00
Leather & Leather Products	208.32	200.12	181.98	37.2	35.8	34.4	5.60	5.59	5.29
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

March, 1986

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA labor force expanded 1,500 from February to reach 114,900 in March. The area unemployment rate dropped six-tenths of a percentage point, falling from 5.2 percent in February to 4.6 percent in March. The number of unemployed workers in March amounted to 5,300, 600 fewer than in February. This substantial drop mostly reflects seasonal influences.

During March 1985, there were 5,900 persons unemployed and the rate of unemployment was calculated at 5.3 percent of the labor force.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Payrolled employment rose 700 from February to reach 99,900 in March. Both sectors, manufacturing and nonmanufacturing, posted employment gains during the month.

Manufacturing employment, estimated at 18,900 for March, rose 100 from February. This gain represents an accumulation of small increases in several durable goods manufacturing industries.

Nonmanufacturing jobs rose 600 from February to reach 81,000 in March. Industries within the nonmanufacturing group recording changes in employment levels since February include: Construction, up 200; Transportation and Utilities, down 100; Trade, up 100; Services, up 400; and Government, down 100.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers rose from $8,92 in February to $9.06 in March. The average weekly hours worked were up from 41.1 in February to 41.5 in March. The jump in hourly earnings resulted mostly from an increase in overtime worked at premium pay.

Table 1 Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current: March, 1986**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	99,900	99,200	98,200	+700	+1,700
Manufacturing	18,900	18,800	19,600	+100	-700
Durable Goods	9,700	9,600	10,600	+100	-900
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	1,000	1,000	900	0	+100
Other Durable Goods	8,700	8,600	9,600	+100	-900
Nondurable Goods	9,200	9,200	9,100	0	+100
Food Processing	3,800	3,800	3,800	0	0
Printing & Publishing	1,700	1,700	1,600	0	+100
Other Nondurable Goods	3,800	3,800	3,700	0	+100
Nonmanufacturing	81,000	80,400	78,600	+600	+2,400
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	4,200	4,000	3,700	+200	+500
Transportation & Utilities	5,800	5,900	6,300	-100	-500
Trade	27,400	27,300	26,800	+100	+600
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,600	4,600	4,500	0	+100
Services	25,600	25,200	23,700	+400	+1,900
Government	13,300	13,400	13,300	-100	0
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	11,600	11,700	11,600	-100	0
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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During March 1985, hourly earnings averaged $8.61 and the average work week came to 40.3 hours.

Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Overall payrolled employment is expected to continue on an upward trend during April and May. Seasonal influences in construction, trade and services will more than off-set anticipated reductions in transportation and manufacturing jobs. With gasoline prices substantially lower, industries associated with tourism should show higher employment levels each month of 1986 than during the corresponding month of 1985.

Seasonal improvement in the rate of unemployment is expected to continue through June when students flood the job market.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current Data: **March, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$375.99	$366.61	$346.98	41.5	41.1	40.3	$9.06	$8.92	$8.61
Durable Goods	366.27	346.08	332.07	43.5	41.2	40.3	8.42	8.40	8.24
Nondurable Goods	389.05	392.37	369.84	39.1	41.0	40.2	9.95	9.57	9.20
Food & Kindred Products	439.30	441.18	393.76	42.9	43.0	41.8	10.24	10.26	9.42
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Missouri Area Labor Trends

Data Month April 1986

A Monthly Review of Missouri Labor Market Information

Missouri Labor Market Review

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Missouri unemployment dropped further in April, as the spring seasonal improvement combined with improving economic conditions to produce a decrease of nine-tenths of a percentage point in the unemployment rate. The April rate of 5.3 percent is a full point lower than it was a year ago. The number of jobless Missourians decreased by more than 19,000 over the month and by nearly 21,000 over the year.

The state's unemployment rate is now at its lowest level since December 1979, near the beginning of the nearly back-to-back recessions which marked the early years of the 1980s. Although the rates are not yet quite as low as they were in corresponding months near the economic peak in 1979, unemployment has nearly recovered to prerecession levels.

Employment has grown substantially, with total civilian employment climbing by 53,700 between March and April and by 76,600 over the past year to 2,370,500. Nonfarm payroll employment was also up, increasing by 29,100 from March and 56,800 from April 1985 to 2,138,300 jobs. Both over-the-month and over-the-year changes were concentrated in the nonmanufacturing industries, as the manufacturing sector continued to experience small job losses. The largest of these declines was in electrical and electronic equipment manufacturing, where employment is down by 700 jobs from March and 2500 jobs from April 1985 to 48,500 jobs. Seasonal gains in construction, retail trade, and services helped propel nonmanufacturing employment up by more than 30,000 jobs in April. These same industries have also been experiencing underlying growth, with employment increasing by 10,900; 25,000; and 18,900 jobs, respectively, since April 1985.

Employment has also shown substantially complete re-

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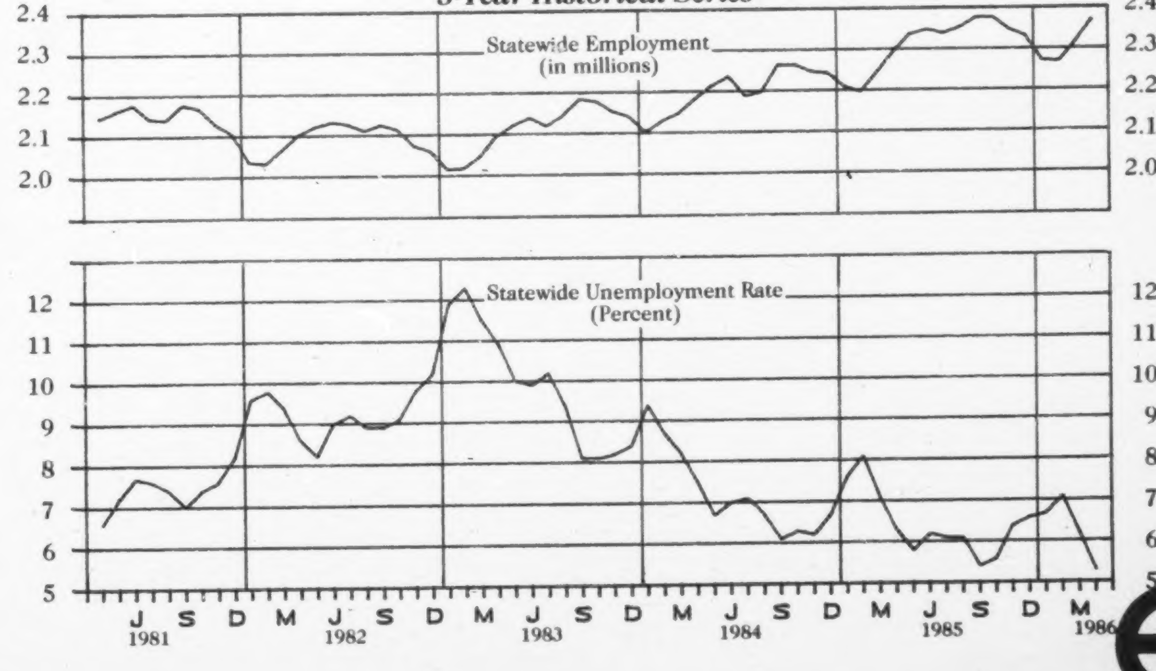

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY - A Division of the Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

Table 1

MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - APR 1986 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - MAR 1986 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - APR 1985 (BENCHMARKED 1985)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2503058	2370495	132563	5.3	2468649	2316769	151880	6.2	2447335	2293869	153466	6.3
ST. LOUIS MSA	1226429	1151924	74505	6.1	1222026	1137949	84077	6.9	1201620	1112988	88632	7.4
KANSAS CITY MSA	789281	755332	33949	4.3	790653	751511	39142	5.0	802056	766676	35380	4.4
SPRINGFIELD MSA	116519	111429	5090	4.4	115524	110222	5302	4.6	112708	107013	5695	5.1
COLUMBIA MSA	60391	58810	1581	2.6	59393	57406	1987	3.3	59677	57503	2174	3.6
JOPLIN MSA	67507	64390	3117	4.6	66621	63094	3527	5.3	64545	60870	3675	5.7
ST. JOSEPH MSA	43002	40108	2894	6.7	42444	39120	3324	7.8	41342	38678	2664	6.4
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	13881	13228	653	4.7	13699	12835	864	6.3	13997	13079	918	6.6
ANDREW	7686	7339	347	4.5	7743	7278	465	6.0	7067	6780	287	4.1
ATCHISON	3322	3191	131	3.9	3131	2963	168	5.4	3465	3243	222	6.4
AUDRAIN	10403	9756	647	6.2	10296	9594	702	6.8	11491	10288	1203	10.5
BARRY	12292	11767	525	4.3	12038	11427	611	5.1	11719	10952	767	6.5
BARTON	5507	5336	171	3.1	5340	5159	181	3.4	5342	5158	184	3.4
BATES	6473	6079	394	6.1	6442	5890	552	8.6	6520	6068	452	6.9
BENTON	5782	5421	361	6.2	5537	4965	572	10.3	5260	4946	314	6.0
BOLLINGER	3660	3284	376	10.3	3648	3145	503	13.8	3734	3252	482	12.9
BUTLER	15923	14443	1480	9.3	15861	14013	1848	11.7	16244	14576	1668	10.3
CALDWELL	3304	3130	174	5.3	3205	2954	251	7.8	3143	2951	192	6.1
CALLAWAY	14929	14149	780	5.2	14659	13802	857	5.8	15199	14013	1186	7.8
CAMDEN	14715	13996	719	4.9	13733	12718	1015	7.4	13735	12953	782	5.7
CAPE GIRARDEAU	33278	31974	1304	3.9	32595	31076	1519	4.7	31760	30254	1506	4.7
CARROLL	5486	5210	276	5.0	5339	4904	435	8.1	5117	4817	300	5.9
CARTER	2071	1777	294	14.2	1987	1654	333	16.8	2361	2074	287	12.2
CEDAR	5064	4838	226	4.5	4977	4644	333	6.7	5127	4716	411	8.0
CHARITON	5065	4832	233	4.6	4994	4707	287	5.7	5152	4905	247	4.8
CLARK	3992	3727	265	6.6	3742	3426	316	8.4	3641	3306	335	9.2
CLINTON	6298	5954	344	5.5	6167	5708	459	7.4	6502	6093	409	6.3
COLE/OSAGE LMA	39269	37668	1601	4.1	38502	36676	1826	4.7	37856	35795	2061	5.4
COOPER	6966	6633	333	4.8	6758	6306	452	6.7	6705	6245	460	6.9
CRAWFORD	6839	6268	571	8.3	6652	6010	642	9.7	6997	6310	687	9.8
DADE	2971	2822	149	5.0	2884	2705	179	6.2	2974	2823	151	5.1
DALLAS	4056	3756	300	7.4	3942	3581	361	9.2	3909	3500	409	10.5
DAVIESS	3897	3755	142	3.6	3715	3541	174	4.7	3867	3691	176	4.6
DEKALB	4183	3996	187	4.5	3946	3686	260	6.6	3903	3692	211	5.4
DENT	5789	5349	440	7.6	5590	5045	545	9.7	5415	4851	564	10.4
DOUGLAS	4971	4577	394	7.9	4998	4521	477	9.5	5257	4680	577	11.0
DUNKLIN	13979	12715	1264	9.0	13581	12170	1411	10.4	13921	12320	1601	11.5
GASCONADE	7310	6957	353	4.8	7027	6599	428	6.1	7071	6673	398	5.6
GENTRY	3302	3165	137	4.1	3183	3009	174	5.5	3358	3238	120	3.6
GRUNDY	5169	4862	307	5.9	5143	4859	284	5.5	5206	4840	366	7.0
HARRISON	5182	4927	255	4.9	4969	4617	352	7.1	4944	4716	228	4.6
HENRY	9000	8450	550	6.1	8845	8164	681	7.7	8574	8078	496	5.8
HICKORY	3191	3035	156	4.9	2928	2701	227	7.8	2525	2322	203	8.0
HOLT	2764	2668	96	3.5	2708	2554	154	5.7	2668	2573	95	3.6
HOWARD	4717	4518	199	4.2	4646	4410	236	5.1	4743	4472	271	5.7
HOWELL	12752	11682	1070	8.4	12507	11406	1101	8.8	13096	11858	1238	9.5
IRON	3582	3172	410	11.4	3588	3118	470	13.1	3719	3006	713	19.2
JOHNSON	17494	16934	560	3.2	17384	16661	723	4.2	18015	17460	555	3.1
KNOX	2256	2117	139	6.2	2203	2010	193	8.8	2247	2028	219	9.7
LACLEDE	11880	11132	748	6.3	11584	10697	887	7.7	12062	10995	1067	8.8
LAWRENCE	14115	13342	773	5.5	14036	13207	829	5.9	13800	12858	942	6.8

Table 1
MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - APR 1986 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - MAR 1986 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - APR 1985 (BENCHMARKED 1985)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	5335	4878	457	8.6	5424	4872	552	10.2	5351	4934	417	7.8
LINCOLN	12212	11620	592	4.8	11748	10949	799	6.8	10347	9580	767	7.4
LINN	6787	6429	358	5.3	6730	6225	505	7.5	6744	6291	453	6.7
LIVINGSTON	6836	6528	308	4.5	6777	6314	463	6.8	6718	6242	476	7.1
MACON	8123	7652	471	5.8	7652	7012	640	8.4	7908	7409	499	6.3
MADISON	4281	3885	396	9.3	4137	3725	412	10.0	4164	3677	487	11.7
MARIES	3980	3710	270	6.8	3878	3594	284	7.3	3893	3644	249	6.4
MARION/RALLS LMA	19188	17880	1308	6.8	18439	17016	1423	7.7	17768	16525	1243	7.0
MCDONALD	8162	7811	351	4.3	7776	7278	498	6.4	7557	7137	420	5.6
MERCER	1730	1626	104	6.0	1657	1543	114	6.9	1746	1654	92	5.3
MILLER	10259	9479	780	7.6	9750	8640	1110	11.4	9617	8655	962	10.0
MISSISSIPPI	6242	5690	552	8.8	6272	5543	729	11.6	6377	5683	694	10.9
MONITEAU	6530	6175	355	5.4	6230	5767	463	7.4	6157	5762	395	6.4
MONROE	5313	5079	234	4.4	5166	4895	271	5.2	4708	4461	247	5.2
MONTGOMERY	5250	4900	350	6.7	4975	4604	371	7.5	5170	4690	480	9.3
MORGAN	7048	6599	449	6.4	6254	5692	562	9.0	7088	6609	479	6.8
NEW MADRID	9334	8524	810	8.7	9171	8226	945	10.3	9328	8239	1089	11.7
NODAWAY	10646	10307	339	3.2	10473	9977	496	4.7	10305	9923	382	3.7
OREGON	3708	3383	325	8.8	3590	3227	363	10.1	3854	3393	461	12.0
OZARK	3610	3395	215	6.0	3373	3088	285	8.4	3597	3283	314	8.7
PEMISCOT	9147	8388	759	8.3	8900	8033	867	9.7	8637	7882	755	8.7
PERRY	7979	7544	435	5.5	7939	7129	810	10.2	7588	7138	450	5.9
PETTIS	19419	18180	1239	6.4	18536	17200	1336	7.2	18287	16930	1357	7.4
PHELPS	16640	15871	769	4.6	16440	15556	884	5.4	15755	14853	902	5.7
PIKE	8748	8152	596	6.8	8495	7812	683	8.0	8057	7315	742	9.2
POLK	8989	8482	507	5.6	8998	8409	589	6.5	9237	8413	824	8.9
PULASKI	12610	11966	644	5.1	11978	11189	789	6.6	11577	10890	687	5.9
PUTNAM	2279	2177	102	4.5	2178	2044	134	6.2	2353	2188	165	7.0
RANDOLPH	12413	11464	949	7.6	12155	11377	778	6.4	11791	11006	785	6.7
REYNOLDS	1930	1632	298	15.4	1966	1614	352	17.9	1892	1505	387	20.5
RIPLEY	4612	4184	428	9.3	4257	3790	467	11.0	4314	3897	417	9.7
SALINE	12242	11720	522	4.3	11947	11353	594	5.0	12015	11462	553	4.6
SCOTLAND	2477	2375	102	4.1	2469	2321	148	6.0	2554	2410	144	5.6
SCOTT	18004	16770	1234	6.9	17945	16518	1427	8.0	17339	15926	1413	8.1
SHANNON	3202	2795	407	12.7	3050	2577	473	15.5	3447	2992	455	13.2
SHELBY	3674	3575	99	2.7	3644	3441	203	5.6	3620	3465	155	4.3
ST. CLAIR	3406	3237	169	5.0	3207	2990	217	6.8	3397	3159	238	7.0
ST. FRANCOIS	18355	17095	1260	6.9	17842	16352	1490	8.4	18353	16566	1787	9.7
STE. GENEVIEVE	7251	6794	457	6.3	7067	6528	539	7.6	6619	6123	496	7.5
STODDARD	13532	12384	1148	8.5	13192	11882	1310	9.9	12439	11385	1054	8.5
STONE	8931	8041	890	10.0	8113	6814	1299	16.0	9701	8583	1118	11.5
SULLIVAN	3649	3499	150	4.1	3599	3407	192	5.3	3534	3325	209	5.9
TANEY	15894	14699	1195	7.5	13715	11974	1741	12.7	14899	13580	1319	8.9
TEXAS	10027	8928	1099	11.0	9775	8586	1189	12.2	9666	8485	1181	12.2
VERNON	9242	8827	415	4.5	9132	8581	551	6.0	8989	8520	469	5.2
WARREN	9617	9174	443	4.6	9216	8672	544	5.9	8373	7935	438	5.2
WASHINGTON	6054	5339	715	11.8	6333	5513	820	12.9	6377	5384	993	15.6
WAYNE	4458	3866	592	13.3	4242	3569	673	15.9	4243	3739	504	11.9
WEBSTER	9987	9136	851	8.5	9727	8861	866	8.9	9513	8738	775	8.1
WORTH	1414	1379	35	2.5	1320	1249	71	5.4	1333	1287	46	3.5
WRIGHT	7135	6377	758	10.6	7055	6257	798	11.3	7273	6445	828	11.4

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
April, 1986

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2138.3	2109.2	2081.5									
Total Manufacturing	425.8	426.8	429.4	396.77	400.36	380.00	40.2	40.4	40.0	9.87	9.91	9.50
Durable Goods	243.4	244.3	245.2	444.70	451.50	420.45	41.6	42.0	41.1	10.69	10.75	10.23
Lumber & Wood Products	9.8	10.0	10.3	257.81	252.80	233.31	40.6	39.5	38.5	6.36	6.40	6.06
Furniture & Fixtures	10.2	10.3	10.2	313.34	310.38	295.92	42.4	42.0	41.1	7.39	7.39	7.20
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	11.4	11.2	11.1	468.26	427.52	435.93	43.6	40.6	42.2	10.74	10.53	10.33
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.0	520.88	509.38	538.10	38.3	37.9	39.8	13.60	13.44	13.52
Structural Clay Prod.	1.9	1.9	1.9	532.00	512.09	461.64	42.8	41.0	39.9	12.43	12.49	11.57
Primary Metal Industries	12.5	12.5	13.2	432.68	444.72	429.95	40.4	40.8	39.7	10.71	10.90	10.83
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.6	1.7	1.9	385.12	380.21	341.05	40.2	39.4	38.8	9.58	9.65	8.79
Nonferrous Foundries	3.2	3.2	3.1	326.81	331.89	326.61	40.8	41.8	41.5	8.01	7.94	7.87
Fabricated Metal Products	28.2	28.4	28.6	406.37	406.31	387.84	40.8	41.0	40.4	9.96	9.91	9.60
Structural Metal Prod.	11.3	11.2	10.8	395.09	382.40	367.64	40.9	40.0	40.4	9.66	9.56	9.10
Machinery Exc. Electrical	31.0	30.8	31.9	419.15	420.99	387.09	41.5	41.6	39.1	10.10	10.12	9.90
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	48.5	49.2	51.0	374.66	387.49	380.89	40.2	41.8	41.0	9.32	9.27	9.29
Transportation Equipment	72.7	72.9	69.9	607.17	627.73	576.41	43.4	44.3	43.9	13.99	14.17	13.13
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	37.0	37.2	33.7	636.25	672.98	625.18	44.4	46.0	45.6	14.33	14.63	13.71
Instruments & Related Prod.	12.1	12.1	11.9	308.48	313.63	281.58	39.6	39.6	39.0	7.79	7.92	7.22
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.1	7.0	7.2	259.96	268.62	231.11	38.8	39.1	35.5	6.70	5.87	6.51
Nondurable Goods	182.4	182.5	184.2	333.21	332.83	326.87	38.3	38.3	38.5	8.70	8.69	8.49
Food & Kindred Products	45.7	45.3	44.0	386.37	382.24	382.85	40.5	39.9	40.3	9.54	9.58	9.50
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	12.3	1230	11.4	288.55	272.22	260.04	40.3	39.0	39.7	7.16	6.98	6.55
Dairy Products	6.2	6.3	6.1	414.12	421.45	390.27	40.6	42.7	42.1	10.20	9.87	9.27
Grain Mill Products	7.3	7.4	7.1	406.81	410.47	418.20	40.6	40.6	41.0	10.02	10.11	10.20
Bakery Products	5.5	5.5	5.3	410.87	380.60	365.04	40.4	38.6	36.0	10.17	9.86	10.14
Beverages	9.9	9.6	9.5	543.38	544.28	610.83	37.5	36.9	41.3	14.49	14.75	14.79

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Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Textile & Apparel	23.5	23.6	25.0	199.72	197.32	190.16	35.1	34.8	34.7	5.69	5.67	5.48
Paper & Allied Products	13.2	13.1	13.4	390.46	394.70	375.96	40.8	41.2	40.6	9.57	9.58	9.26
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	6.9	6.8	6.7	402.82	406.43	396.25	41.7	41.6	41.5	9.66	9.77	9.50
Printing & Publishing	40.9	41.1	40.2	381.22	383.18	366.44	38.9	39.1	37.7	9.80	9.80	9.72
Commercial Printing	13.5	13.6	12.8	446.35	457.55	428.58	40.8	41.9	39.5	10.94	10.92	10.85
Chemicals & Allied	28.8	28.8	29.5	434.40	443.90	447.26	40.0	40.8	41.8	10.86	10.88	10.70
Leather & Leather Products	17.0	17.2	18.0	178.15	176.00	186.39	31.7	32.0	34.2	5.62	5.50	5.45
Footwear Exc. Rubber	13.6	13.8	14.6	170.90	170.13	180.54	31.3	31.8	34.0	5.46	5.35	5.31
Total Nonmanufacturing												
Mining	6.2	6.0	6.5									
Construction	100.7	94.0	89.8									
Transportation & Public Util.	142.7	142.2	141.1									
Railroad Transportation	17.9	17.9	15.1									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	70.1	69.4	71.8									
Communications	54.8	54.9	54.2									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	523.2	512.9	499.9									
Wholesale Trade	129.5	129.7	131.2									
Retail Trade	393.7	383.2	368.7									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	123.3	122.0	119.4									
Services	476.3	466.1	457.4									
Government	340.2	339.2	337.9									
Federal Government	70.4	71.1	69.8									
State & Local Government	269.8	268.1	268.1									

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covery from the recessions of the early '80s. Total civilian employment is now at its highest April level in the 16 yer history of the data series, with only the levels of last September and October surpassing the current level. The current estimate of nonfarm payroll employment it at an all-time high. The weakness, of course, is in the manufacturing industries, where current employment of 425,800 is some 46,000 jobs below the peak reached in June 1979.

The factory workweek slipped back two-tenths of an hour to 40.2 hours in April, but this is an increase of two-tenths of an hour from the year-ago level. Average earnings in the month edged down with the workweek to $9.87 an hour an $396.77 a week. Over the past year, average hourly earnings are up 37 cents, while average weekly earnings are up by 4.4 percent from April 1985's $380.

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

The national unemployment rate has fallen back only slightly since jumping sharply in February. The civilian rate is now 7.1 percent, on a seaonally adjusted basis, having dropped only one-tneth of a percentage point in each of the past two months.

Payroll employment has continued to grow at a moderate pace, climbing by 200,000 jobs in April and by almost 1 million jobs in the first four months of the year, on a seasonally adjusted basis. The growth has been in the service-producing industries, as the goods-producing industries, on balance, have shown little change over the past several months. Mining employment, led by oil and gas extraction, has shown the sharpest declines, with manufacturing edging down slightly. Construction is the only industry group in the goods-producing sector to have shown some increase.

Gross national product grew faster in the first quarter than originally estimated, according to the Commerce Department's latest revision. The increase — to an annual rate of 3.7 percent — apparently reflects greater inventory building than previously estimated, rather than a stronger economy. Indeed, an inventory correction in the current quarter could lead to a lower estimated rate of economic growth in this quarter.

Outlook

Although the current quarter could see a slowdown in the estimated rate of economic growth, most forecasters seem to expect a pickup in the latter half of the year. The index of leading economic indicators has been pointing strongly upward in recent months, and the economy is expected to get a boost from the recent lower oil prices and interest rates. Although some improvement in manufacturing employment might be experienced as a result of increasingly competitive prices of American-made goods in world markets, most growth will still occur in the nonmanufacturing industries.

May usually brings some further seasonal gains in employment and reduction in unemployment. June's increase in employment, however, will be accompanied by a surge in unemployment, as students and recent graduats entering the labor force may not immediately find work. Moderate reductions usually occur in the other summer months, with substantial seasonal improvement accompanying the reopening of schools in September.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments Missouri — April, 1986

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From: 1 Mo. Ago	Net Change To Current Month From: 1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,503,100	2,468,700	2,447,400	34,400	55,700
Total Employed	2,370,500	2,316,800	2,293,900	53,700	76,600
Total Unemployed	132,600	151,900	153,500	-19,300	-20,900
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	5.3	6.2	6.3	-0.9	-1.0
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	2,138,300	2,109,200	2,081,500	29,100	56,800
Manufacturing	425,800	426,800	429,400	-1,000	-3,600
Durable Goods	243,400	244,300	245,200	-900	-1,800
Nondurable Goods	182,400	182,500	184,200	-100	-1,800
Nonmanufacturing	1,712,600	1,682,400	1,652,000	30,200	60,600
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	7,770	7,417	7,658	353	112
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	49,060	54,976	46,651	-5,916	2,409
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.3	2.9	2.5	-0.6	-0.2
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	3,850	3,718	4,316	132	-466
Amount of Benefits Paid	$19,059,977	$22,020,305	$17,067,143	-$2,960,328	$1,992,834
State U.I.	18,765,177	21,686,610	16,776,468	-2,921,433	1,988,709
UCFE	138,626	153,137	133,159	-14,511	-5,467
UCX	156,174	180,558	157,516	-24,384	-1,342

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

April, 1986

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The Kansas City Area's unemployment rate fell for the third consecutive month of the year to 4.3 per cent of the labor force in April 1986. Seasonal gains in the Nonmanufacturing sector produced an overall drop in the number of jobless of 5,200 and the seven-tenths of one per cent drop in the rate. The drop in the number of unemployed was reflected in an increase of 3,800 in the number of employed and a decline of 1,400 in the civilian labor force. The number of payroll jobs grew by 4,900 as a result of seasonal gains in Retail Trade, Construction, State and Local Government and Transportation.

Wage and salaried employment in April 1986 was 700,600, up by 4,900 from the March 1986 total of 695,700. The Nonmanufacturing sector continues to lead in producing job expansion in the Area, with more than 90 per cent of the net job growth over-the-month. Leading among the Area's industries was Retail Trade with 2,000 jobs added over-the-month, primarily in eating and drinking establishments. Following closely behind in job growth, was Construction which added another 1,700 jobs across all types of construction. Transportation, Communications and Utilities, boosted by employment increases in the trucking industries, added another 500 jobs. State and Local Government, which began its normal spring build-up for summer programs, also added 500 jobs. Smaller employment increases were posted in most other Nonmanufacturing industries except Wholesale Trade, which lost 200 jobs and Federal Government, which dropped by 400 jobs, mostly temporary seasonal jobs.

Among the Manufacturing industries, most eployment changes were small. Stone, Clay and Glass and Food and Kindred each added 300 jobs. Smaller increases were registered in Lumber and Furniture, Primary Metals, Transportation, Apparel, Paper and Chemicals. Electrical Equipment was one of the two industries showing a loss over-the-month, with 500 fewer jobs, mostly as a result of layoffs in electronic components. Machinery produced the other small loss within Manufacturing.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 4,600 from April 1985 to April 1986, despite the loss of 1,200 jobs in Durable Goods Manufacturing and a loss of 300 in Nondurable Goods Manufacturing. Nonmanufacturing increased by 6,200 over the period. Retail Trade continued to make substantial gains over-the-year ago levels with another 4,600 jobs added, mainly in eating and drinking establishments. State and Local Government also posted an increase of 2,100 jobs over-the-year as a result of additional jobs in local schools. Other industries showing over-the-year advances were Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, with 1,000 jobs, Transportation, Communications and Utilities, with 800 jobs and Federal Government with 400 jobs. Several Nonmanufacturing industries showed some losses over-the-year. Services was down by 1,800 from year ago levels, with most of the decline accounted for by lower job levels in recreational services and to some extent hotels and religious membership organizations. Construction, despite its monthly gains, fell below last year's level by 1,500 jobs.

The Manufacturing sector showed little improvement over last year's figures. Over the month losses added to the continuing losses showing in Electrical Equipment, which fell below April 1985 figures by another 1,500. Other losses were recorded in Machinery with 300 losses, Printing, down by 200 and Primary Metals, down by 200. These losses were only partially offset by modest gains in Chemicals, Stone, Clay and Glass, Paper, Transportation and Lumber and Furniture.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 34,000 in April 1986 for 4.3 per cent of the labor force, compared with 39,200 in March 1985 for 5.0 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

The unemployment rate for the Kansas City Area is expected to fall in May 1986, as seasonal increase continue to play a dominant role in boosting the Area's economy. Jobs in Construction, Services and Retail Trade will contribute the bulk of the employment increases over-the-month. Layoffs of tax processors will continue to lower Federal Government employment. Unemployment is expected to be 3.8 per cent of the labor force in May 1983, compared to 4.3 per cent in April 1986.

The entry of summer job seekers into the Area's labor market will push the unemployment well over 4.0 per cent of the labor force in June 1986. Employment will continue to increase in Construction, Services and Retail Trade as summer activities begin. Government employment will decline as many school personnel and the remaining temporary Federal tax processors are laid off. Unemployment is expected to be 4.5 per cent of the labor force in June 1986.

Kansas City Area - Missouri Job Service Statistics

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 34,004 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of April 1986. Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics	Per Cent
Age: Under 22	18.3
22-44	65.6
45 and over	16.1
Sex: Male	61.5
Female	38.5
Racial or Ethnic Group	
Black	30.4
Other Non-White	1.0
Hispanic	2.0
Miscellaneous Characteristics	**Per Cent**
Unemployment Insurance Claimants	47.6
Veterans	18.6
Handicapped	2.1

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated April 30, 1986.

Job Placements

During April 1986, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 11,148 and job placements totaled 2,247. There were 2,024 veteran referrals in April 1986, with 344 veteran placements. During March 1986, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 8,566 and job placements totaled 1,626. There were 1,803 veteran referrals in March 1986, with 307 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated April 30, 1986.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed in the Kansas City Area (Missouri Side Only)

April 1986

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	15.9	14.4	15.2
25-34	40.1	34.8	37.7
35-44	21.4	24.7	22.9
45-54	12.7	15.6	14.0
55-64	9.0	8.8	8.9
65 and over	1.0	1.8	1.3
Unreported	0.0	0.0	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	0.4
Mining	0.2
Construction	9.5
Manufacturing	29.9
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	7.1
Wholesale & Retail Trade	19.1
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	3.0
Services	29.2
All Other	1.6
Information not available	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	9.3
Clerical	18.0
Sales	3.9
Services	13.3
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	0.5
Processing	1.8
Machine Trades	7.6
Benchwork	12.7
Structural Work	9.6
Miscellaneous	14.9
Information not available	8.4

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 6,644; 3,647 were male and 2,997 were female.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1985)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current: April, 1986**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	700,600	695,700	696,000	+4,900	+4,600
Total Manufacturing	118,700	118,300	120,300	+400	-1,600
Durable Goods	67,700	67,800	68,900	-100	-1,200
Lumber & Furniture	3,400	3,300	3,200	+100	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	4,200	3,900	3,900	+300	+300
Primary Metal Industries	3,600	3,500	3,800	+100	-200
Fabricated Metal Products	9,400	9,400	9,400	0	0
Machinery Except Electrical	7,600	7,700	7,900	-100	-300
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	20,100	20,600	21,600	-500	-1,500
Transportation Equipment	15,500	15,400	15,300	+100	+200
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(15,200)	(15,200)	(15,000)	(0)	(+200)
Other Durable Goods	4,000	3,900	3,800	+100	+200
Nondurable Goods	51,000	50,600	51,300	+400	-300
Food & Kindred Products	9,300	9,000	9,000	+300	+300
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,500	2,400	2,600	+100	-100
Paper & Allied Products	5,700	5,600	5,500	+100	+200
Printing & Publishing	19,800	19,800	20,000	0	-200
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,800	8,700	8,300	+100	+500
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	4,300	4,400	5,100	-100	-800
Total Nonmanufacturing	581,900	577,400	575,700	+4,500	+6,200
Mining & Quarrying	500	400	500	-100	0
Construction	29,100	27,400	30,600	+1,700	-1,500
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	53,700	53,200	52,900	+500	+800
Wholesale & Retail Trade	186,900	185,200	182,300	+1,700	+4,600
Wholesale Trade	(55,800)	(56,000)	(55,900)	(-200)	(-100)
Retail Trade	(131,100)	(129,100)	(126,500)	(+2,000)	(+4,600)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	52,600	52,400	51,100	+200	+1,500
Services	151,800	151,700	153,600	+100	-1,800
Government	107,200	107,100	104,700	+100	+2,500
Federal Government	(29,300)	(29,700)	(28,900)	(-400)	(+400)
State & Local Government	(77,900)	(77,400)	(75,800)	(+500)	(+2,100)
In Labor-Management Disputes	100	200	200	-100	-100

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data: April, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$439.79	$444.89	$455.26	39.8	39.9	41.5	$11.05	$11.15	$10.97
Durable Goods	471.22	474.42	493.24	39.9	39.7	41.8	11.81	11.95	11.80
Lumber & Furniture	264.95	257.53	310.08	35.0	34.2	40.8	7.57	7.53	7.60
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	419.97	389.06	482.60	38.6	36.6	39.3	10.88	10.63	12.28
Primary Metal Industries	393.46	471.86	465.95	33.6	37.9	38.7	11.71	12.45	12.04
Fabricated Metal Products	385.92	385.19	374.22	38.4	38.1	39.6	10.05	10.11	9.45
Machinery Exc. Electrical	408.77	407.74	408.75	38.6	38.0	39.8	10.59	10.73	10.27
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	418.08	413.39	471.09	39.0	38.1	41.8	10.72	10.85	11.27
Transportation Equipment	684.28	698.25	691.15	44.9	45.4	46.2	15.24	15.38	14.96
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(689.66)	(703.89)	(696.35)	(44.9)	(45.5)	(46.3)	(15.36)	(15.47)	(15.04)
Other Durable Goods	248.29	240.44	265.34	36.3	35.1	36.1	6.84	6.85	7.35
Nondurable Goods	387.89	397.36	388.42	39.5	40.3	40.8	9.82	9.86	9.52
Food & Kindred Products	417.69	409.77	407.97	43.6	43.5	41.8	9.58	9.42	9.76
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	189.04	191.99	188.51	35.4	36.5	34.4	5.34	5.26	5.48
*Paper & Allied Products	426.97	452.24	384.70	42.4	44.6	41.1	10.07	10.14	9.36
Printing & Publishing	405.38	415.94	417.25	38.1	38.8	39.4	10.64	10.72	10.59
Chemicals & Allied Products	417.75	433.70	487.29	36.2	37.1	43.9	11.54	11.69	11.10
Petroleum & Coal Products	452.83	449.32	344.45	35.6	36.5	37.4	12.72	12.31	9.21
Other Nondurable Goods	302.00	303.06	304.59	40.0	40.3	42.6	7.55	7.52	7.15

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

April, 1986

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate continued to register significant declines in April. Unemployment was down by 9,600 and employment rose by 14,000 to stand at 1,151,900. Continued job creation in construction, trade and services was responsible for the improvement. Declining fuel prices and interest rates have caused many area firms involved in residential development and tourism to prepare for expected improved business during the warm weather months. Labor force growth, fueled previously by many new and reentrants coming into the work force, has also slowed over the past few months. This slowdown, coupled with continued employment growth, has meant there are now somewhat better job prospects for those currently unemployed. Over the year, unemployment declined by 14,100 and employment rose 38,900. The unemployment rate in April, 1985 was 7.4%. Job creation over the past 12 months continued to occur almost entirely in non-manufacturing. Services, the area's largest industry, added 8,000 workers during this period. There were 1,800 labor disputants in April and March and less than 50 in April, 1985.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment rose by 200 over the month. Increasing construction activity caused seasonal gains in lumber and stone. The only other durable goods industry to report an employment increase was nonelectrical machinery which rose 100. A labor dispute continued to affect 300 workers in primary metals. In nondurables a seasonal increase occurred in the beverage sector. Beer and soft drink producers both recorded increases of 100 each. Small gains were reported by printing and petroleum. Chemicals and leather both continued to decline. Over the year, manufacturing has added 700 workers. Motor vehicles registered the largest increase (+3100). A model changeover shutdown in April, 1985 caused 1700 motor vehicle workers to be on temporary layoff. Aircraft and parts, up 700, continued to be the only other manufacturing industry to report a significant employment gain. Small job additions occurred in lumber, electronics, stone and food. Primary metals, down, 1400, suffered the largest job loss. This industry continues to reduce employment levels through layoff and attrition. The chemical industry, affected by a work force reduction program at one area employer, has lost 900 jobs over the past 12 months.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing rose 9300 over the month. Spring weather conditions and lower interest rates caused employment gains in construction and finance, insurance and real estate. Real estate was responsible for 500 of the 700 increase in the F.I.R.E. industry while all sectors of construction reported significant gains. Seasonal job creation also occurred in transportation, retail trade, and services. Trucking added 400 workers while air transportation continued to be affected by a labor dispute. In retail trade, 1900 of the 2300 total industry increase occurred in eating and drinking establishments. Service gains were reported by lawn and plant care service companies, hotels, and amusement and recreation facilities. Over the year, nonmanufacturing added 19,900 workers. The construction industry rose 4000 over last year's strong level. In retail trade, all sectors reported gains. The largest increases occurred in department stores (+1200) and eating and drinking establishments (+1500). Increased home buying and loan application activity caused the 3500 gain in finance, insurance and real estate. Service sectors reporting significant gains were health care (+2800), business services (+1900) and miscellaneous professional services (+1200). In transportation, trucking (-600) continued to be affected by deregulation and consolidations. Budget constraints and public health care consolidation caused a 1400 worker reduction in state and local government.

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in May, 1986 is expected to be 6.0%.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

The industry distribution of Missouri resident claimants is:

Industry	Jan. '86	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
Mining	34	60	32	59
Construction	3316	4576	3077	1854
Manufacturing	4255	4661	4447	3669
Public Utilities	767	973	817	856
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2280	2800	2521	2176
Finance	267	312	305	262
Services	5991	6597	6129	5268
All Other	476	503	333	267
TOTAL	17386	20485	17666	14411

The occupational distribution of the intrastate Missouri resident claimant is:

Occupation	Jan. '86	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1725	1875	1679	1595
Clerical	2340	2580	2443	2211
Sales	614	662	695	578
Farm, Fish & Forest	288	321	227	114
Processing	348	398	409	347
Machine Trades	1272	1482	1365	1110
Bench Work	825	948	864	684
Structural Work	2329	2733	2116	1549
Misc. Work	2275	2811	2416	1955
Service	2342	2739	2529	2033
INA	3028	3936	2923	2235
TOTAL	17386	20485	17666	14411

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1986 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	3.4	1.7
Clerical	15.8	12.7
Sales	14.8	17.3
Processing	1.7	2.1
Machine Trades	4.4	3.9
Bench Work	3.4	4.1
Structural Work	11.1	13.0
Motor Freight & Trans.	3.8	3.5
Packaging & Material Handling	8.9	11.7
Domestic	1.0	0.9
Other Services	27.4	28.0
Other Occupations	4.3	1.2

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area **Month and Year of Current: April, 1986**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,079,600	1,070,000	1,058,900	+9,609	+20,700
Percent Change				+(0.9)	+(2.0)
Manufacturing	224,700	224,500	224,000	+200	+700
Durable Goods	141,900	141,800	139,300	+100	+2,600
Lumber & Furniture	4,800	4,700	4,600	+100	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,600	3,400	3,500	+200	+100
Primary Metal Industries	13,300	13,300	14,700	0	-1,400
Fabricated Metal Products	17,100	17,100	17,400	0	-300
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,100	18,000	18,200	+100	-100
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,600	15,600	15,400	0	+200
Transportation Equipment	56,700	56,800	52,600	-100	+4,100
Motor Vehicles	21,800	22,000	18,700	-200	+3,100
Aircraft & Parts	28,700	28,700	28,000	0	+700
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	12,800	12,800	12,900	0	-100
Nondurable Goods	82,800	82,700	84,700	+100	-1,900
Food & Kindred Products	21,300	20,900	21,200	+400	+100
Meat Products	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0
Beverages	8,400	8,200	8,300	+200	+100
Textiles & Apparel	6,000	6,100	6,700	-100	-700
Paper & Paper Products	5,700	5,700	5,800	0	-100
Printing & Publishing	16,600	16,500	16,700	+100	-100
Chemical & Allied Products	20,300	20,500	21,200	-200	-900
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,800	2,700	2,800	+100	0
Leather & Leather-Products	4,500	4,600	4,700	-100	-200
Other Nondurable Goods	5,600	5,700	5,600	-100	0
Nonmanufacturing	854,800	845,500	834,900	+9,300	+19,900
Mining	3,700	3,700	3,800	0	-100
Construction	55,400	52,500	51,800	+2,900	+4,000
Transportation & Public Utilities	71,400	71,000	72,700	+400	-1,300
Railroads	4,700	4,700	5,100	0	-400
Transportation, Except Railroads	38,400	37,900	39,500	+500	-1,100
Communications & Public Utilities	28,300	28,400	28,000	-100	-300
Wholesale & Retail Trade	256,100	253,800	250,000	+2,300	+6,100
Wholesale Trade	64,700	64,800	64,900	-100	-200
Retail Trade	191,300	189,000	185,100	+2,300	+6,200
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	67,600	66,900	64,100	+700	+3,500
Service, Except Domestic	261,800	258,800	253,800	+3,000	+8,000
Total Government	138,800	138,900	139,200	-100	-400
Total Federal Government	38,300	38,400	37,300	-100	+1,000
Total State & Local Government	100,500	100,500	101,900	0	-1,400
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	1,800	1,800	0	0	+1,800

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: St. Louis Metropolitan Area **Month and Year of Current Data: April, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$458.18	$463.81	$441.60	40.8	40.9	40.0	$11.23	$11.34	$11.04
Durable Goods	481.82	491.15	466.49	41.5	41.8	40.6	11.61	11.75	11.49
Lumber & Furniture	348.10	322.50	330.33	39.2	36.4	38.5	8.88	8.86	8.58
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	426.97	355.70	363.73	39.1	34.5	35.8	10.92	10.31	10.16
Primary Metal Industries	439.77	429.87	465.23	41.1	40.1	39.9	10.70	10.72	11.66
Fabricated Metal Products	426.30	425.77	425.99	40.6	40.9	41.0	10.50	10.41	10.39
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	465.50	469.25	437.98	41.6	41.6	39.6	11.19	11.28	11.06
Elect & Electronic Equip.	390.76	388.88	328.90	42.8	42.5	38.2	9.13	9.15	8.61
Transportation Equipment	610.73	639.80	615.33	43.1	44.4	44.3	14.17	14.41	13.89
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	301.92	312.61	273.93	37.0	37.8	34.5	8.16	8.27	7.94
Nondurable Goods	411.73	412.65	398.34	39.4	39.3	38.9	10.45	10.50	10.24
Food & Kindred Products	499.79	508.82	480.68	41.0	41.3	39.4	12.19	12.32	12.20
Textiles & Apparel	212.35	207.46	200.01	33.6	33.3	33.9	6.32	6.23	5.90
Paper & Paper Products	472.00	424.15	384.81	42.7	42.8	41.2	10.00	9.91	9.34
Printing & Publishing	389.12	389.44	380.51	38.0	37.7	36.8	10.24	10.33	10.34
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	479.04	487.40	468.30	40.7	41.2	42.0	11.77	11.83	11.15
Petroleum & Coal Products	546.06	584.18	591.18	39.2	40.4	42.5	13.93	14.46	13.91
Leather & Leather Products	188.03	189.38	183.46	32.7	33.4	34.1	5.75	5.67	5.38
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

March, 1986

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA labor force expanded by 1,000 from March to reach 116,500 in April. Approximately 5,100 persons were unemployed in April, down 200 during the 30 day period. The April rate of unemployment, estimated at 4.4 percent, is the lowest monthly figure since December, 1979 at which time the same percentage of the labor force was out-of-work.

During April 1985, there were 5,700 unemployed and the rate of unemployment was calculated at 5.1 percent.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Payrolled employment, estimated at 100,500, rose 500 from March. April is the third consecutive month in which the total number of nonagricultural wage and salaried jobs show an increase from the previous month.

Manufacturing employment edged up 100 from March reaching 19,000 in April. During the most recent twelve months, a reduction of 600 manufacturing jobs is noted.

Nonmanufacturing employment rose 81,000 in March to 81,500 in April. Industries recording significant changes in employment levels from March include: transportation and utilities, up 100; trade, up 400; and state and local government, down 100. Since April 1985, nonmanufacturing jobs areup 2,200. The most significant increases during the one year period occurred in services and trade.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers rose three-cents from March to reach $9.01 in April. Increased hourly earnings in the durable goods manufacturing industries were somewhat off-set by a drop in earnings in the nondurable segment. The manufacturing workweek fell from 41.8 hours in March to 39.8 hours

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current: April, 1986**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	100,500	100,000	99,000	+500	+1,500
Manufacturing	19,000	18,900	19,600	+100	-600
Durable Goods	9,700	9,700	10,400	0	-700
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0
Other Durable Goods	8,700	8,700	9,400	-100	-700
Nondurable Goods	9,300	9,200	9,200	+100	+100
Food Processing	3,800	3,800	3,900	0	-100
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,700	1,600	-100	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,900	3,700	3,700	+200	+200
Nonmanufacturing	81,500	81,100	79,400	+400	+2,100
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	4,200	4,200	4,000	0	+200
Transportation & Utilities	5,900	5,800	6,300	+100	-400
Trade	27,800	27,400	27,200	+400	+600
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,600	4,600	4,600	0	0
Services	25,600	25,600	24,000	0	+1,600
Government	13,300	13,400	13,200	-100	+100
Federal	1,700	1.700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	11,600	11,700	11,500	-100	+100
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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in April.

During April 1985, manufacturing workers hourly wage was estimated at $8.75 and the average factory work week came to 40.5 hours.

Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Seasonal influences in construction, trade and services will provide the buoyancy for an overall moderate increase in Payrolled employment during May. Housing starts continue to be well above the corresponding month of 1985. The 169 one-family permits issued in Springfield and unincorporated areas of Greene county during April was the largest number of starts for any one month in over seven years. Employment gains in the trade and service industries seems likely during May in response to the tourist season.

Unemployment will continue on the downward during May. This decline will probably level off in June when students enter the labor force at the close of the school term.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: **Springfield, Missouri** **Month and Year of Current Data:** **April, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$358.60	$375.36	$354.38	39.8	41.8	40.5	$9.01	$8.98	$8.75
Durable Goods	346.32	364.53	342.66	40.6	43.5	40.6	8.53	8.38	8.44
Nondurable Goods	374.22	389.24	373.01	38.9	39.8	40.5	9.62	9.78	9.21
Food & Kindred Products	404.53	394.06	379.36	38.6	38.0	40.4	10.48	10.37	9.39
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Missouri Area Labor Trends

Data Month May 1986

A Monthly Review of Missouri Labor Market Information

Missouri Labor Market Review

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Missouri unemployment registered its first increase in three months in May, as the unemployment rate went up from 5.3 to 5.5 percent. The increase in the number of jobless Missourians -- from 133,200 in April to 139,700 -- apparently represents an early increase in summer unemployment. Over the past few years, the increase in summer unemployment, both nationwide and in Missouri, has been shifting from June toward May, as a growing number of schools and especially colleges have been ending their years in May.

Employment continued to increase in May, which is consistent with the interpretation of the increase in unemployment resulting from the summer increase in the labor force. Total civilian employment grew by 29,500 in May, reaching 2,400,300, a new high. This figure represented an increase of 63,000 in the number of employed Missourians during the past 12 months.

Nonfarm payroll employment showed similar gains in May. The total number of nonfarm jobs in the state is estimated to have increased by 25,300 between April and May, with most of the gain occurring in retail trade, services, and construction. Over the past year, the number of jobs in the state has grown by 52,300, with the same three industry groups accounting for most of the growth. Retail trade employment increased by 25,100 between May 1985 and May 1986, while services grew by 19,400 and construction by 10,000. Manufacturing employment decreased by 6500 jobs over the year, with apparel, shoes, and fabricated metal products other than structural products each experiencing losses of more than 1000 jobs. So far, employment in the motor vehicles and equipment industry has not shown the drops experienced nationally; employment in this industry

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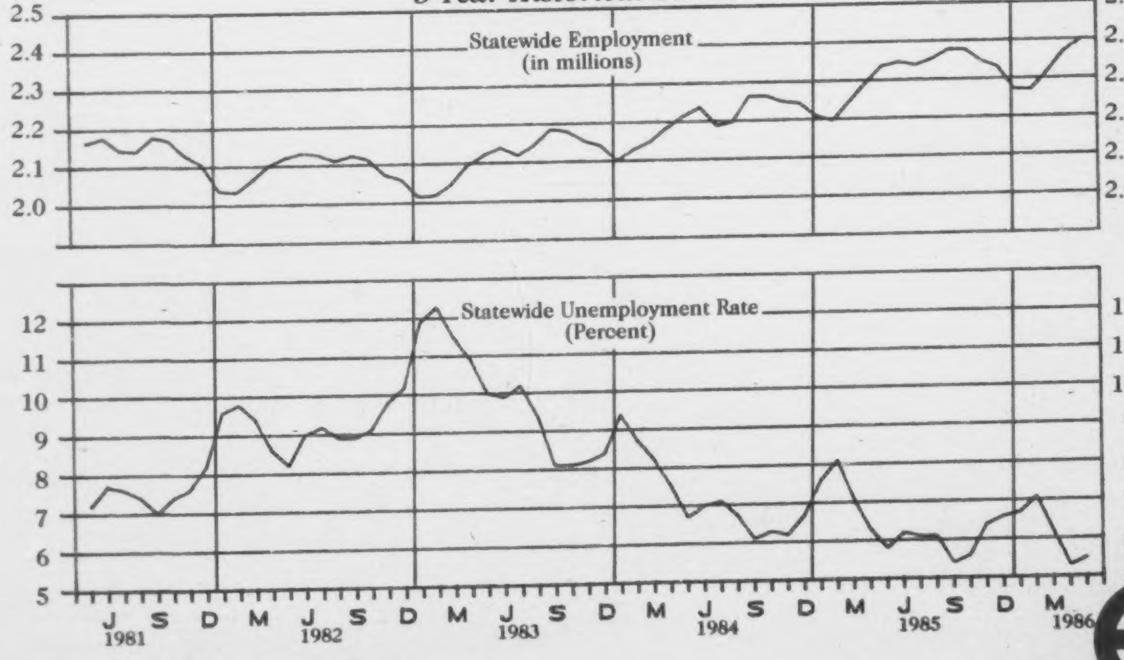

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY - A Division of the Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

Table 1

MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - MAY 1986 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - APR 1986 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - MAY 1985 (BENCHMARKED 1985)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2539996	2400303	139693	5.5	2503965	2370812	133153	5.3	2481834	2337341	144493	5.8
ST. LOUIS MSA	1242506	1163234	79272	6.4	1229661	1154318	75343	6.1	1220045	1130777	89268	7.3
KANSAS CITY MSA	795708	761428	34280	4.3	789620	755572	34048	4.3	811793	778219	33574	4.1
SPRINGFIELD MSA	118134	113065	5069	4.3	116106	111021	5085	4.4	114468	108439	6029	5.3
COLUMBIA MSA	61465	59451	2014	3.3	60398	58798	1600	2.6	60592	58208	2384	3.9
JOPLIN MSA	68446	65053	3393	5.0	67578	64377	3201	4.7	65799	62100	3699	5.6
ST. JOSEPH MSA	43418	40453	2965	6.8	43002	40099	2903	6.8	41809	39188	2621	6.3
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	14041	13349	692	4.9	13876	13225	651	4.7	13617	12857	760	5.6
ANDREW	7630	7261	369	4.8	7684	7337	347	4.5	7000	6729	271	3.9
ATCHISON	3369	3223	146	4.3	3323	3190	133	4.0	3580	3393	187	5.2
AUDRAIN	10490	9786	704	6.7	10401	9754	647	6.2	11560	10512	1048	9.1
BARRY	12758	12089	669	5.2	12288	11765	523	4.3	11972	11308	664	5.5
BARTON	5558	5391	167	3.0	5503	5335	168	3.1	5431	5263	168	3.1
BATES	6600	6225	375	5.7	6468	6078	390	6.0	6650	6236	414	6.2
BENTON	6047	5687	360	6.0	5784	5420	364	6.3	5472	5193	279	5.1
BOLLINGER	3627	3261	366	10.1	3658	3284	374	10.2	3825	3389	436	11.4
BUTLER	16512	14916	1596	9.7	15930	14440	1490	9.4	16480	15028	1452	8.8
CALDWELL	3508	3320	188	5.4	3306	3130	176	5.3	3238	3080	158	4.9
CALLAWAY	15286	14400	886	5.8	14929	14146	783	5.2	15424	14391	1033	6.7
CAMDEN	16357	15679	678	4.1	14723	13993	730	5.0	14477	13851	626	4.3
CAPE GIRARDEAU	33731	32298	1433	4.2	33274	31967	1307	3.9	31909	30534	1375	4.3
CARROLL	5585	5279	306	5.5	5481	5209	272	5.0	5137	4873	264	5.1
CARTER	2347	2050	297	12.7	2069	1776	293	14.2	2439	2189	250	10.3
CEDAR	5055	4766	289	5.7	5063	4837	226	4.5	5169	4819	350	6.8
CHARITON	5175	4926	249	4.8	5064	4831	233	4.6	5246	5003	243	4.6
CLARK	3999	3728	271	6.8	4004	3726	278	6.9	3670	3411	259	7.1
CLINTON	6365	6032	333	5.2	6296	5953	343	5.4	6529	6192	337	5.2
COLE/OSAGE LMA	40003	38381	1622	4.1	39255	37660	1595	4.1	38392	36573	1819	4.7
COOPER	7286	6552	734	10.1	6971	6632	339	4.9	6880	6478	402	5.8
CRAWFORD	7137	6527	610	8.5	6838	6267	571	8.4	7055	6485	570	8.1
DADE	3045	2908	137	4.5	2970	2821	149	5.0	3033	2882	151	5.0
DALLAS	4119	3842	277	6.7	4065	3755	310	7.6	3941	3561	380	9.6
DAVIESS	3950	3810	140	3.5	3896	3754	142	3.6	3968	3810	158	4.0
DEKALB	4271	4096	175	4.1	4180	3995	185	4.4	3965	3791	174	4.4
DENT	5956	5373	583	9.8	5787	5347	440	7.6	5409	4918	491	9.1
DOUGLAS	5029	4685	344	6.8	4969	4576	393	7.9	5299	4795	504	9.5
DUNKLIN	14137	12912	1225	8.7	13978	12713	1265	9.0	13968	12724	1244	8.9
GASCONADE	7444	7087	357	4.8	7308	6955	353	4.8	7237	6871	366	5.1
GENTRY	3403	3278	125	3.7	3300	3164	136	4.1	3463	3348	115	3.3
GRUNDY	5228	4853	375	7.2	5169	4861	308	6.0	5220	4864	356	6.8
HARRISON	5139	4925	214	4.2	5190	4926	264	5.1	4995	4821	174	3.5
HENRY	9163	8614	549	6.0	8994	8448	546	6.1	8737	8307	430	4.9
HICKORY	3200	3030	170	5.3	3189	3035	154	4.8	2602	2422	180	6.9
HOLT	2856	2737	119	4.2	2766	2667	99	3.6	2826	2704	122	4.3
HOWARD	4876	4617	259	5.3	4716	4517	199	4.2	4717	4482	235	5.0
HOWELL	12910	11878	1032	8.0	12743	11679	1064	8.3	13035	11990	1045	8.0
IRON	3609	3143	466	12.9	3594	3172	422	11.7	3731	3144	587	15.7
JOHNSON	17558	16920	638	3.6	17495	16930	565	3.2	18155	17606	549	3.0
KNOX	2273	2174	99	4.4	2255	2116	139	6.2	2269	2115	154	6.8
LACLEDE	12000	11280	720	6.0	11883	11130	753	6.3	12325	11266	1059	8.6
LAWRENCE	14288	13492	796	5.6	14112	13339	773	5.5	13973	13209	764	5.5

Table 1
MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - MAY 1986 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - APR 1986 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - MAY 1985 (BENCHMARKED 1985)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	5386	4931	455	8.4	5332	4877	455	8.5	5511	5105	406	7.4
LINCOLN	12438	11808	630	5.1	12213	11617	596	4.9	10801	10065	736	6.8
LINN	6867	6514	353	5.1	6788	6428	360	5.3	6816	6405	411	6.0
LIVINGSTON	6986	6701	285	4.1	6834	6526	308	4.5	6767	6428	339	5.0
MACON	8419	6907	1512	18.0	8127	7651	476	5.9	8046	7640	406	5.0
MADISON	4295	3912	383	8.9	4281	3884	397	9.3	4100	3708	392	9.6
MARIES	4032	3788	244	6.1	3978	3709	269	6.8	3953	3722	231	5.8
MARION/RALLS LMA	19675	18432	1243	6.3	19195	17876	1319	6.9	18483	17209	1274	6.9
MCDONALD	8335	7969	366	4.4	8168	7810	358	4.4	7726	7301	425	5.5
MERCER	1771	1653	118	6.7	1730	1626	104	6.0	1757	1696	61	3.5
MILLER	10895	10194	701	6.4	10266	9477	789	7.7	10265	9458	807	7.9
MISSISSIPPI	6454	5871	583	9.0	6243	5688	555	8.9	6407	5826	581	9.1
MONITEAU	6571	6206	365	5.6	6524	6174	350	5.4	6175	5858	317	5.1
MONROE	5490	5232	258	4.7	5311	5078	233	4.4	4793	4603	190	4.0
MONTGOMERY	5221	4901	320	6.1	5249	4899	350	6.7	5132	4785	347	6.8
MORGAN	7513	7105	408	5.4	7050	6597	453	6.4	7232	6851	381	5.3
NEW MADRID	9417	8603	814	8.6	9340	8522	818	8.8	9365	8405	960	10.3
NODAWAY	10790	10380	410	3.8	10642	10305	337	3.2	10565	10176	389	3.7
OREGON	3839	3456	383	10.0	3706	3382	324	8.7	3758	3394	364	9.7
OZARK	3777	3530	247	6.5	3612	3394	218	6.0	3561	3330	231	6.5
PEMISCOT	9247	8417	830	9.0	9146	8386	760	8.3	8738	8049	689	7.9
PERRY	8149	7695	454	5.6	7975	7542	433	5.4	7762	7351	411	5.3
PETTIS	19526	18332	1194	6.1	19420	18176	1244	6.4	18565	17430	1135	6.1
PHELPS	17094	16245	849	5.0	16639	15868	771	4.6	16245	15278	967	6.0
PIKE	9041	8414	627	6.9	8747	8151	596	6.8	8236	7574	662	8.0
POLK	9163	8663	500	5.5	8985	8480	505	5.6	8987	8144	843	9.4
PULASKI	12817	12198	619	4.8	12606	11964	642	5.1	11848	11253	595	5.0
PUTNAM	2354	2245	109	4.6	2281	2177	104	4.6	2309	2226	83	3.6
RANDOLPH	12715	11817	898	7.1	12409	11462	947	7.6	11957	11301	656	5.5
REYNOLDS	2011	1679	332	16.5	1933	1632	301	15.6	1880	1524	356	18.9
RIPLEY	4632	4222	410	8.9	4605	4183	422	9.2	4328	3980	348	8.0
SALINE	12520	11947	573	4.6	12237	11718	519	4.2	12311	11752	559	4.5
SCOTLAND	2535	2454	81	3.2	2476	2375	101	4.1	2570	2444	126	4.9
SCOTT	18408	17101	1307	7.1	18002	16766	1236	6.9	17774	16457	1317	7.4
SHANNON	3269	2879	390	11.9	3205	2794	411	12.8	3312	2929	383	11.6
SHELBY	3864	3683	181	4.7	3674	3574	100	2.7	3733	3592	141	3.8
ST. CLAIR	3483	3337	146	4.2	3410	3236	174	5.1	3500	3283	217	6.2
ST. FRANCOIS	18940	17552	1388	7.3	18363	17091	1272	6.9	18524	16886	1638	8.8
STE. GENEVIEVE	7396	6983	413	5.6	7246	6793	453	6.3	6724	6311	413	6.1
STODDARD	13618	12427	1191	8.7	13525	12381	1144	8.5	12540	11594	946	7.5
STONE	10251	9547	704	6.9	8942	8039	903	10.1	10047	9233	814	8.1
SULLIVAN	3678	3416	262	7.1	3652	3498	154	4.2	3582	3422	160	4.5
TANEY	17784	16975	809	4.5	15890	14696	1194	7.5	16474	15449	1025	6.2
TEXAS	9957	8994	963	9.7	10029	8926	1103	11.0	9739	8727	1012	10.4
VERNON	9416	9042	374	4.0	9240	8826	414	4.5	9219	8867	352	3.8
WARREN	9702	9259	443	4.6	9618	9172	446	4.6	8647	8234	413	4.8
WASHINGTON	6230	5458	772	12.4	6050	5338	712	11.8	6340	5457	883	13.9
WAYNE	4773	4166	607	12.7	4457	3865	592	13.3	4246	3829	417	9.8
WEBSTER	9961	9141	820	8.2	9985	9134	851	8.5	9762	8904	858	8.8
WORTH	1456	1402	54	3.7	1418	1379	39	2.8	1334	1301	33	2.5
WRIGHT	7253	6457	796	11.0	7109	6376	733	10.3	7370	6639	731	9.9

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
May, 1986

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2163.9	2138.6	2111.6									
Total Manufacturing	426.0	426.6	432.5	399.78	398.57	381.64	40.3	40.3	40.3	9.92	9.89	9.47
Durable Goods	243.9	244.1	247.0	447.02	446.19	418.61	41.7	41.7	41.0	10.72	10.70	10.21
Lumber & Wood Products	10.0	9.9	10.2	262.11	258.62	244.61	40.7	40.6	39.2	6.44	6.37	6.24
Furniture & Fixtures	10.3	10.3	10.2	312.17	311.86	308.17	42.3	42.2	42.1	7.38	7.39	7.32
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	11.7	11.5	11.2	456.22	468.90	439.50	42.4	43.7	42.3	10.76	10.73	10.39
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.0	527.39	526.50	577.51	38.3	38.6	40.9	13.77	13.64	14.12
Structural Clay Prod.	2.0	1.9	1.9	489.23	532.00	445.44	40.2	41.8	38.6	12.17	12.43	11.54
Primary Metal Industries	12.5	12.5	13.1	450.72	455.43	407.51	40.9	40.7	38.3	11.02	11.19	10.64
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.6	1.6	1.9	393.16	383.91	357.40	40.2	40.2	39.8	9.78	9.55	8.98
Nonferrous Foundries	3.2	3.2	3.1	340.65	326.81	311.58	41.9	40.8	40.1	8.13	8.01	7.77
Fabricated Metal Products	28.1	28.2	28.7	413.83	406.78	389.78	41.3	40.8	40.9	10.02	9.97	9.53
Structural Metal Prod.	11.4	11.3	10.9	401.31	395.65	368.83	41.5	41.0	40.8	9.67	9.65	9.04
Machinery Exc. Electrical	30.8	31.2	31.7	417.66	422.18	405.90	41.6	41.8	41.0	10.04	10.10	9.90
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	47.7	48.5	50.9	385.84	378.39	375.07	40.7	40.6	40.2	9.48	9.32	9.33
Transportation Equipment	73.4	72.8	71.9	599.95	606.73	560.30	43.1	43.4	43.1	13.92	13.98	13.00
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	37.4	37.0	35.7	634.04	636.25	595.39	44.0	44.4	44.3	14.41	14.33	13.44
Instruments & Related Prod.	12.1	12.2	11.8	293.96	308.48	287.62	39.3	39.6	39.4	7.48	7.79	7.30
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.3	7.1	7.3	269.50	261.97	232.17	39.4	39.1	35.5	6.84	6.70	6.54
Nondurable Goods	182.1	182.5	185.4	336.88	334.08	334.11	38.5	38.4	39.4	8.75	8.70	8.48
Food & Kindred Products	45.6	45.6	44.4	397.70	388.69	387.03	41.0	40.7	40.4	9.70	9.55	9.53
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	12.3	12.3	11.6	277.60	287.74	246.94	39.6	40.3	37.7	7.01	7.14	6.55
Dairy Products	6.4	6.3	6.1	430.53	415.54	398.97	42.5	40.9	42.9	10.13	10.16	9.30
Grain Mill Products	7.1	7.3	7.0	433.44	412.08	414.10	42.0	40.8	41.0	10.32	10.10	10.10
Bakery Products	5.6	5.5	5.3	435.07	413.92	390.14	41.2	40.7	38.1	10.56	10.17	10.24
Beverages	9.8	9.8	9.6	556.04	551.25	627.48	37.8	37.5	42.0	14.71	14.70	14.94

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Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kind. Prod.	4.5	4.5	4.5	444.14	405.42	417.41	46.9	46.6	43.8	9.47	8.70	9.53
Textile & Apparel	23.4	23.5	24.9	190.02	198.80	193.99	34.3	35.0	35.4	5.54	5.68	5.48
Paper & Allied Products	13.3	13.2	13.6	399.37	391.68	384.61	41.3	40.8	41.4	9.67	9.60	9.29
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	6.9	6.9	6.9	403.38	402.69	396.48	41.5	41.6	42.0	9.72	9.68	9.44
Printing & Publishing	41.0	40.9	40.7	381.79	380.44	378.97	39.4	38.9	39.6	9.69	9.78	9.57
Commercial Printing	13.6	13.5	13.1	444.70	443.50	435.11	41.6	40.8	40.4	10.69	10.87	10.77
Chemicals & Allied	28.9	28.8	29.4	446.52	438.06	444.29	40.3	40.3	41.1	11.08	10.87	10.81
Leather & Leather Products	16.6	17.0	18.1	178.24	178.15	209.93	32.0	31.7	38.1	5.57	5.62	5.51
Footwear Exc. Rubber	13.4	13.6	14.7	167.63	170.90	201.16	31.1	31.3	37.6	5.39	5.46	5.35
Total Nonmanufacturing												
Mining	6.1	6.2	6.5									
Construction	106.2	100.5	96.2									
Transportation & Public Util.	144.7	142.4	141.9									
Railroad Transportation	18.0	18.0	15.1									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	71.5	69.6	72.4									
Communications	55.2	54.8	54.5									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	531.6	523.3	508.6									
Wholesale Trade	129.6	129.8	131.6									
Retail Trade	402.0	393.5	376.9									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	124.2	123.4	120.4									
Services	485.3	476.9	465.9									
Government	339.8	339.3	339.7									
Federal Government	71.0	70.6	70.8									
State & Local Government	268.8	268.7	268.9									

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edged up another 400 jobs to 37,400 in May, which was 1700 jobs higher than a year ago.

The factory workweek in Missouri remained at 40.3 hours in May. Most industries remained relatively constant as well. The average hourly earnings of manufacturing production workers was $9.92, essentially unchanged from April. Average weekly earnings of $399.78 in May were 4.8 percent higher than a year ago.

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

National unemployment increased slightly in May, as the seasonally adjusted civilian unemployment rate edged up two-tenths of a point to 7.3 percent. This is about the rate which has prevailed during the past four months, following the sharp increase in February. Total civilian employment also increased, on a seasonally-adjusted basis, reaching 109.1 million in May. The employment-population ratio, a measure of the proportion of the population with jobs, increased to 60.5 percent, while the ratio for adult women reached a new high of 51.8 percent.

Nonfarm payroll employment increased slightly to 99.9 million. Growth in the service-producing industries, including business and health services; finance, insurance, and real estate; and retail trade, much of it in eating and drinking places, more than offset losses in manufacturing and oil and gas extraction. In the manufacturing sector, a substantial part of the decrease has occurred in motor vehicles and equipment. Employment in this industry fell by 15,000 in May and has dropped 50,000 since early 1985. So far, this trend has not affected motor vehicles and equipment manufacturing employment in Missouri.

The U.S. economy grew more slowly in the first quarter than previously estimated, according to recent revisions by the Commerce Department. The annual rate of growth of inflation-adjusted gross national product is now estimated to have been 2.9 percent rather than the 3.7 percent originally estimated. Although this represents considerably more expansion than the 0.7 percent experienced in the final three months of 1985, it still does not represent a substantial quickening of the pace of economic activity. A number of economists expect a similar rate of growth in the current quarter and do not yet see the beginning of the economic acceleration that had been widely expected for this year.

Outlook

The upturn in economic activity that had been widely expected for later this year is not yet in evidence and doesn't seem as likely as it once did. The government's index of leading economic indicators -- a key predictor of future economic activity -- increased again in May, but at a much slower rate than in the previous two months. Most of the increases have been occurring in the financial indicators, rather than the production gauges. Continuing weaknesses in the goods-producing sector seem to be putting a drag on the economy. The generally lackluster performance of recent national employment and unemployment indicators apparently reflects these conditions. Despite the lack of acceleration in growth, the economy still seems unlikely to slip into recession in the upcoming months.

Economic conditions in Missouri, as judged by employment and unemployment indicators, still seem to be strong. The main changes occurring in the next few months are expected to be the usual seasonal ones. These include increased unemployment in June, with joblessness edging downward thereafter. Employment continues to increase in the summer months, reflecting growth in the tourism- and recreation-related industries. Some of this is offset by the closing of schools for the summer.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments
Missouri — May, 1986

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,540,000	2,504,000	2,481,800	36,000	58,200
Total Employed	2,400,300	2,370,800	2,337,300	29,500	63,000
Total Unemployed	139,700	133,200	144,500	6,500	-4,800
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	5.5	5.3	5.8	0.2	-0.3
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	2,163,900	2,138,600	2,111,600	25,300	52,300
Manufacturing	426,000	426,600	432,500	-600	-6,500
Durable Goods	243,900	244,100	247,000	-200	-3,100
Nondurable Goods	182,100	182,500	185,400	-400	-3,300
Nonmanufacturing	1,737,900	1,712,000	1,679,200	25,900	58,700
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	7,960	7,770	6,851	190	1,109
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	44,424	49,060	43,593	-4,636	831
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.2	2.3	2.2	-0.1	0.0
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	3,556	4,167	4,052	-611	-496
Amount of Benefits Paid	$17,434,078	$19,059,977	$16,218,996	-$1,625,899	$1,215,082
State U.I.	17,161,384	18,765,177	15,949,407	-1,603,793	1,211,977
UCFE	135,872	138,626	122,047	-2,754	-13,825
UCX	136,822	156,174	147,542	-19,352	-10,720

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

May, 1986

Franciena King, Analyst

Following three consecutive months of moderate declines, the May 1986 Kansas City Area unemployment rate held steady at 4.3 per cent of the labor force. The civilian labor force grew moderately by 6,100 as graduates and early summer job seekers entered the labor market and many successfully found work. Civilian employment increased by 5,800 over-the-month. Layoffs in the Manufacturing sector, which resulted in a slight increase in the number of jobless of 300, prevented the expected drop in the rate. The bulk of the increase in nonagricultural payroll jobs occurred in the seasonally related Nonmanufacturing industries. More than eighty-five per cent of the new jobs recorded over-the-month occurred in Retail and Wholesale Trade, Services, Transportation, Communications and Utilities and Finance, Insurance and Real Estate. These gains were partially offset by losses in the goods producing, Construction, Machinery and Transportation Equipment industries.

Wage and salaried employment in May 1986 was 704,800, up by 3,600 from the April 1986 total of 701,200. The nonmanufacturing sector led the Area's industrial job growth with overall increase of 3,900 jobs. Retail Trade topped the list of job producers with 1,400 new jobs mainly in department stores and eating and drinking establishments. The Services followed with 1,100 jobs mostly in agricultural, business and recreational services. Led by a substantial job gain in air transportation and despite losses in communications, the Transportation, Communications and Utilities sector posted an increase of 800 jobs over-the-month. Gains spread equally between durable and nondurable goods resulted in over-all growth of 700 jobs in Wholesale Trade. The increase of 400 jobs in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate were widely scattered among those industries.

Job losses over-the-month were concentrated in the goods producing industries. The Construction industry recorded what is expected to be a temporary lull in its recent growth trend, with a modest loss of 300 jobs, primarily within the special trades contractors industry. Manufacturing continued to show declines in the fifth consecutive month of the year. From January 1986, the Manufacturing sector has lost overall a thousand jobs. Layoffs within the construction equipment and transportation equipment industries contributed losses of 400 jobs in Machinery and 200 jobs in Transportation Equipment. All other industries in the Area showed only minor employment changes over-the-month.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 3,000 from May 1985 to May 1986. For the fourth straight month Manufacturing jobs fell below year ago levels, while Nonmanufacturing jobs contributed the only significant growth over 1985 levels. Durable Goods Manufacturing was down by 1,900 jobs, Nondurable Goods Manufacturing lost 400 and Nonmanufacturing increased by 5,100 over the year ago totals. With the one exception of Chemicals which added 600 jobs, all the Area's industries showing year ago gains were in the Nonmanufacturing sector. The substantial growth of eating and drinking establishments contributed another 5,000 jobs to the Retail Trade sector over-the-year. Finance, Insurance and Real Estate added 1,900 new jobs in the Area. Increased activities in the local school districts added 1,500 jobs to Local Government and higher levels of employment in tax processing activities held Federal Goverrnment over year ago total by 500 jobs. The recent growth in air transportation offset declines in railroad, communications and utilities and resulted in overall job gain of 1,200 in Transportation, Communications and Utilities.

Among the losers compared to last year's totals, Construction and Services recorded unexpectedly lower levels than prevailed in 1985. Construction, led by losses in special trades contractors fell under last year's levels by 3,000. Despite gains in atricultural and business services, the Services industry also fell below May 1985 levels by 1,900 jobs. These losses were scattered among recreation, hotels, personal services and hospitals. Not surprising were losses, compared to year ago figures, in Machinery, down by 400, primarily as a result of layoffs in the construction equipment industry, and Electrical Equipment which dropped by 1,200, distributed widely among all sectors.

Total unemployment on a place of residence basis was 34,300 in May 1986, for 4.3 per cent of the labor force, compared to 34,000 in April 1986 for 4.3 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

The surge of new entrants and summer workers into the labor force and the onset of a major strike in the Area will send the unemployment rate up sharply in June 1986. Losses in Government, as Area schools close for the summer break will also contribute to the increase in the number of jobless. Although little change is expected in the Manufacturing sector, employment will increase in Services and

Retail Trade, Construction should also record more substantial increases. Unemployment is expected to be 4.6 per cent of the labor force in June 1986, compared to 4.3 per cent in May 1986.

The Area's civilian labor force is expected to begin to taper off in July 1986 as many unsuccessful summer job seekers end their job search. Employment in most sectors will increase, fueled by increases in seasonal industries such as Construction, Services and Retail Trade. Unemployment is expected to be 4.5 per cent of the labor force in July 1986.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1985)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas

Month and Year of Current: May, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	704,800	701,200	701,800	+3,600	+3,000
Total Manufacturing	118,500	118,700	120,700	-200	-2,200
Durable Goods	67,700	68,000	69,600	-300	-1,900
Lumber & Furniture	3,300	3,300	3,200	0	+100
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,800	3,700	4,000	+100	-200
Primary Metal Industries	3,700	3,600	3,800	+100	-100
Fabricated Metal Products	9,600	9,500	9,600	+100	0
Machinery Except Electrical	7,700	8,100	8,100	-400	-400
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	20,400	20,400	21,600	0	-1,200
Transportation Equipment	15,200	15,400	15,300	-200	-100
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(15,000)	(15,200)	(15,100)	(-200)	(-100)
Other Durable Goods	4,000	3,900	3,900	-100	-100
Nondurable Goods	50,700	50,800	51,100	-100	-400
Food & Kindred Products	9,100	9,200	9,100	-100	0
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,300	2,400	2,500	-100	-200
Paper & Allied Products	5,600	5,700	5,600	-100	0
Printing & Publishing	19,900	19,800	20,000	+100	-100
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,800	8,800	8,200	0	+600
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	4,400	4,300	5,100	+100	-700
Total Nonmanufacturing	586,300	582,400	581,200	+3,900	+5,100
Mining & Quarrying	500	500	500	0	0
Construction	28,700	29,000	31,700	-300	-3,000
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	54,100	53,300	52,900	+800	+1,200
Wholesale & Retail Trade	189,800	187,600	184,700	+2,200	+5,100
Wholesale Trade	(56,600)	(55,900)	(56,500)	(+700)	(+100)
Retail Trade	(133,200)	(131,800)	(128,200)	(+1,400)	(+5,000)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	52,900	52,500	51,000	+400	+1,900
Services	153,600	152,500	155,500	+1,100	-1,900
Government	106,900	107,000	104,900	-100	+2,000
Federal Government	(29,200)	(29,300)	(28,700)	(-100)	(+500)
State & Local Government	(77,700)	(77,800)	(76,200)	(-100)	(+1,500)
In Labor-Management Disputes	100	100	100	0	0

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data:** May, 1986

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$443.91	$442.89	$457.45	40.1	39.9	41.7	$11.07	$11.10	$10.97
Durable Goods	472.42	475.20	494.68	39.9	40.0	42.1	11.84	11.88	11.75
Lumber & Furniture	289.90	271.01	297.97	37.6	35.8	38.9	7.71	7.57	7.66
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	410.32	442.02	511.52	37.2	41.7	39.9	11.03	10.60	12.82
Primary Metal Industries	438.25	462.77	405.97	36.1	37.2	35.8	12.14	12.44	12.34
Fabricated Metal Products	409.24	386.58	383.52	40.2	38.2	40.8	10.18	10.12	9.40
Machinery Exc. Electrical	394.37	404.08	457.71	38.4	37.8	43.8	10.27	10.69	10.45
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	423.60	416.70	461.44	38.3	38.3	41.2	11.06	10.88	11.20
Transportation Equipment	677.74	684.10	693.11	44.5	44.8	46.3	15.23	15.27	14.97
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(684.16)	(691.01)	(698.32)	(44.6)	(44.9)	(46.4)	(15.34)	(15.39)	(15.05)
Other Durable Goods	233.29	249.61	264.83	35.4	36.6	37.3	6.59	6.82	7.10
Nondurable Goods	397.31	390.44	393.74	40.5	39.8	41.1	9.81	9.81	9.58
Food & Kindred Products	424.59	417.69	402.97	44.6	44.2	41.5	9.52	9.45	9.71
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	187.72	188.44	184.73	36.1	36.1	34.4	5.20	5.22	5.37
*Paper & Allied Products	429.43	433.41	400.68	42.9	42.7	42.0	10.01	10.15	9.54
Printing & Publishing	400.05	400.90	429.14	38.1	38.0	40.6	10.50	10.55	10.57
Chemicals & Allied Products	449.28	428.29	490.80	38.4	36.7	43.0	11.70	11.67	11.18
Petroleum & Coal Products	431.32	456.53	335.05	32.8	35.5	36.0	13.15	12.86	9.08
Other Nondurable Goods	318.52	303.60	309.22	42.3	40.0	41.9	7.53	7.59	7.38

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

May, 1986

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate increased from 6.1% in April to 6.4% in May. Employment and unemployment both rose during the month. Unemployment rose 3900 at stand at 79,399 in May while employment added 8900 workers. Total employment during the month was 1,163,200. The increase in unemployment was mostly due to students entering the labor force in search of both summer and long-term jobs. These students represent a portion of the large number of young people who usually enter thge labor force in June. Their unexpected early entrance this year also caused employment increases in retail trade and services. Restaurants and recreation services picked up the majority of these gains. Over the year, unemployment fell by 10,000 while employment rose 32,400. The unemployment rate in May, 1985 was 7.3%. Manufacturing added only 100 jobs during the past 12 months. Construction, trade, finance and services continued to provide a majority of the new jobs in the area. There were 400 labor disputants in May, 1800 in April, and 100 in May, 1985.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment was unchanged over the month. Primary metals rose 200 due to the settlement of a labor dispute. Transportation equipment continued to add workers. Motor vehicles was up by 400 while aircraft increased 300 over April levels. The food industry, affected by a permanent layoff of bakery workers at one area facility, declined by 200. Temporary layoffs due to vacation shut downs and declines in orders caused a loss of 400 jobs in apparel. Chemicals and leather also continued to report small employment declines. Over the year, manufacturing is up by 100. Although transportation equipment continues to report employment gains, losses occurred in a majority of the major manufacturing industries. Losses occurred in all sectors of the primary metals industry. The declines in fabricated metals are concentrated in screw machine products, nuts and bolts, and metal forgings and stampings. Bakeries and confectionery products were responsible for the food employment declines.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing rose 8700 over the month. Construction, although affected by a small strike, added 900 workers. In transportation, gains are beginning to be reported by the trucking industry. This sector added 700 workers during the month. Retail trade increases were concentrated in department stores, grocery stores and restaurants. These gains were mostly seasonal changes. Seasonal increases also occurred in service sectors of agricultural services, hotels and recreation. Business increases caused business and health services to add workers. Over the year, nonmanufacturing is up by 20,800. Mining and transportation are the only industries reporting losses. Mining's losses occurred in coal while the transportation declines were in railroads and airlines. Significant gains occurred in construction, trade, finance and services. In retail trade, department stores and restaurants continued to register the most improvement. Real estate is responsible for 1200 of the 3700 increase in finance, insurance and real estate. Banks and savings and loans also reported significant gains. Service industry increases were well distributed among its various sectors.

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in June, 1986 is expected to be 6.7%.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Mèt. Area **Month and Year of Current:** May, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,089,500	1,080,800	1,068,600	+8,700	+20,900
Percent Change				+(0.8)	+(2.0)
Manufacturing	224,700	224,700	224,600	0	+100
Durable Goods	142,800	142,000	140,700	+800	+2,100
Lumber & Furniture	5,000	4,800	4,700	+200	+300
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,600	3,600	3,600	0	0
Primary Metal Industries	13,500	13,300	14,600	+200	-1,100
Fabricated Metal Products	16,800	17,000	17,300	-200	-500
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,100	18,100	18,000	0	+100
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,700	15,700	15,200	0	+500
Transportation Equipment	57,300	56,700	54,400	+600	+2,900
Motor Vehicles	22,200	21,800	20,400	+400	+1,800
Aircraft & Parts	29,000	28,700	28,000	+300	+1,000
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	12,800	12,800	12,900	0	-100
Nondurable Goods	81,900	82,700	83,900	-800	-2,000
Food & Kindred Products	21,000	21,200	21,200	-200	-200
Meat Products	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0
Beverages	8,400	8,400	8,300	0	+100
Textiles & Apparel	5,700	6,100	6,300	-400	-600
Paper & Paper Products	5,700	5,700	5,800	0	-100
Printing & Publishing	16,600	16,600	16,700	0	-100
Chemical & Allied Products	20,200	20,300	21,000	-100	-800
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,700	2,700	2,800	0	-100
Leather & Leather Products	4,400	4,500	4,600	-100	-200
Other Nondurable Goods	5,600	5,600	5,500	0	+100
Nonmanufacturing	864,800	856,100	844,000	+8,700	+20,800
Mining	3,700	3,700	4,100	0	-400
Construction	56,800	55,900	53,900	+900	+2,900
Transportation & Public Utilities	72,600	71,500	73,400	+1,100	-800
Railroads	4,600	4,600	5,200	0	-600
Transportation, Except Railroads	39,500	38,500	40,100	+1,000	-600
Communications & Public Utilities	28,500	28,400	28,100	+100	+400
Wholesale & Retail Trade	259,200	256,100	253,400	+3,100	+5,800
Wholesale Trade	65,100	64,700	65,000	+400	+100
Retail Trade	194,100	191,400	188,400	+2,700	+5,700
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	68,100	67,600	64,400	+500	+3,700
Service, Except Domestic	265,700	262,000	256,300	+3,700	+9,400
Total Government	138,700	139,300	138,500	-600	+200
Total Federal Government	37,700	37,600	37,600	+100	+100
Total State & Local Government	101,000	101,700	100,900	-700	+100
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	400	1,800	100	-1,400	+300

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: St. Louis Metropolitan Area **Month and Year of Current Data: May, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$459.10	$459.00	$441.20	40.7	40.8	40.0	$11.28	$11.25	$11.03
Durable Goods	477.92	483.06	466.09	41.2	41.5	40.6	11.60	11.64	11.48
Lumber & Furniture	348.69	350.95	345.06	39.4	39.3	40.5	8.85	8.93	8.52
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	373.82	432.53	409.11	35.1	39.5	39.0	10.65	10.95	10.49
Primary Metal Industries	438.70	447.99	470.44	41.0	41.1	39.8	10.70	10.90	11.82
Fabricated Metal Products	430.27	426.94	427.66	40.9	40.7	41.2	10.52	10.49	10.38
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	448.48	460.62	444.29	39.9	41.2	40.5	11.24	11.18	10.97
Elect & Electronic Equip.	388.09	390.76	367.42	42.6	42.8	37.8	9.11	9.13	9.72
Transportation Equipment	601.09	610.73	583.87	42.6	43.1	42.9	14.11	14.17	13.61
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	309.70	301.92	277.51	38.0	37.0	35.9	8.15	8.16	7.73
Nondurable Goods	423.07	413.57	397.41	39.8	39.5	39.0	10.63	10.47	10.19
Food & Kindred Products	522.83	504.67	477.12	42.3	41.4	40.4	12.36	12.19	12.81
Textiles & Apparel	201.14	213.13	204.83	32.6	34.1	34.6	6.17	6.25	5.92
Paper & Paper Products	437.25	425.85	394.48	42.7	42.5	41.7	10.24	10.02	9.46
Printing & Publishing	389.72	390.26	382.04	37.8	38.0	37.2	10.31	10.27	10.27
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	500.40	482.21	457.00	41.7	40.9	40.3	12.00	11.79	11.34
Petroleum & Coal Products	595.55	592.25	595.58	41.3	41.1	42.3	14.42	14.41	14.08
Leather & Leather Products	210.70	190.57	216.78	36.9	33.2	37.7	5.71	5.74	5.75
Other Nondurable Goods	305.75	316.74	292.13	39.9	40.4	37.5	7.86	7.84	7.79

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

May, 1986

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA labor force expanded by 2,100 from April to reach 118,200 in May. The number of unemployed persons, estaimated at 5,100 in May, shows no change from April. The area unemployment rate dropped one-tenth of a percentage point during the 30 days falling from 4.4 percent in April to 4.3 percent in May. The last time the rate of unemployment was below the current level occurred in November 1979. When 4.0 percent of the labor force was idled. During May 1985, there were 6,000 persons unemployed and the rate of unemployment was calculated at 5.3 percent.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Payrolled employment rose 1,100 from April to reach 101,800 in May. The manufacturing and nonmanufacturing sectors recorded job increased of 200 and 900 respectively. Nonmanufacturing industries sharing in the job increase include: construction, up 200; trade, up 200; finance, insurance and real estate, up 100 and state and local government, up 200.

Since May 1985, nonagricultural wage and salaried employment recorded an increase of 2,200. The most significant increases during the 12 month period occurred in services (+1800), trade (+600) and construction (+300). Job decreases are noted in manufacturing (-500) and transportation and utilities (-400).

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers rose two-cents from April to reach $9.04 in May. The average factory workweek increased from 40.6 hours in April to 41.4 hours in May. These two influences fostered a jump of $8.05 in average weekly earnings from

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current: May, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	101,800	100,700	99,600	+1,100	+2,200
Manufacturing	19,200	19,000	19,700	+200	-500
Durable Goods	9,800	9,700	10,400	+100	-1,300
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	1,100	1,000	1,000	+100	+100
Other Durable Goods	8,700	8,700	9,400	0	-700
Nondurable Goods	9,300	9,300	9,300	0	0
Food Processing	3,800	3,800	3,800	0	0
Printing & Publishing	1,700	1,600	1,600	+100	+100
Other Nondurable Goods	3,800	3,900	3,900	-100	-100
Nonmanufacturing	82,600	81,700	79,900	+900	+2,700
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	4,500	4,300	4,200	+200	+300
Transportation & Utilities	5,900	5,900	6,300	0	-400
Trade	28,000	27,800	27,400	+200	+600
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,700	4,600	4,600	+100	+100
Services	25,800	25,700	24,000	+100	+1,800
Government	13,600	13,300	13,300	+300	+300
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	11,800	11,600	11,600	+200	+200
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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April to $374.26 in May.

During May 1985, hourly earnings averaged $8.76 and the average workweek came to 39.7 hours.

Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Payroll employment is expected to decline seasonally during June. Job increases in construction, trade and manufacturing will be more than off-set by the normal summer reduction in the number of employees at state and local schools.

The number of unemployed persons and the rate of unemployment is expected to remain near the current level or possibly show a slight drop in June. Upward pressure exerted on the rate of unemployment by students entering the job market will be insuffient to balance the somewhat favorable economy.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: May, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$374.26	$366.21	$347.77	41.4	40.6	39.7	$9.04	$9.02	$8.76
Durable Goods	352.56	347.24	329.16	40.9	40.9	39.0	8.62	8.49	8.44
Nondurable Goods	402.17	388.33	374.44	42.2	40.2	40.7	9.53	9.66	9.20
Food & Kindred Products	450.93	441.19	377.61	43.4	42.3	40.3	10.39	10.43	9.37
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Missouri Area Labor Trends

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A Monthly Review of Missouri Labor Market Information

Missouri Labor Market Review

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Missouri unemployment increased again in June, as the summer increase in the labor force reached its peak. The number of jobless Missourians grew by 11,400 from May to 151,800, driving the unemployment rate up four-tenths of a point to 5.9 percent. Since bottoming out seasonally in April, unemployment has increased by 18,600 and the unemployment rate by six-tenths of a percentage point. Over the past 12 months, a comparison which eliminates purely seasonal change, unemployment has dropped by 3800 persons and the unemployment rate by three-tenths of a percentage point. Still, there seems to have been some increase in the past few months beyond the seasonal changes which dominate unemployment movements at this time of year.

Total employment continued upward in June, the fourth straight month of increase. This too is largely a result of the seasonal factors, with a large number of students and graduates entering the labor force. Nonfarm payroll employment edged down, however. Part of this was due to the usual decrease in state and local government, with the closing of schools for the summer. Employment in this sector dropped by 16,000 jobs from June and is now 3000 below the level of a year ago. An unusual decrease was also noted in both communications and communications equipment manufacturing (electrical equipment manufacturing) as a result of a nationwide strike. Striking workers have since gone back to work, so employment in these industries should be returning to normal. Employment in the transportation, communications, and public utilities industries was down by 3000 jobs in June, while electrical and electronic equipment manufacturing was down by 3300 jobs. The later industry has been experiencing structural declines as well, so that employment

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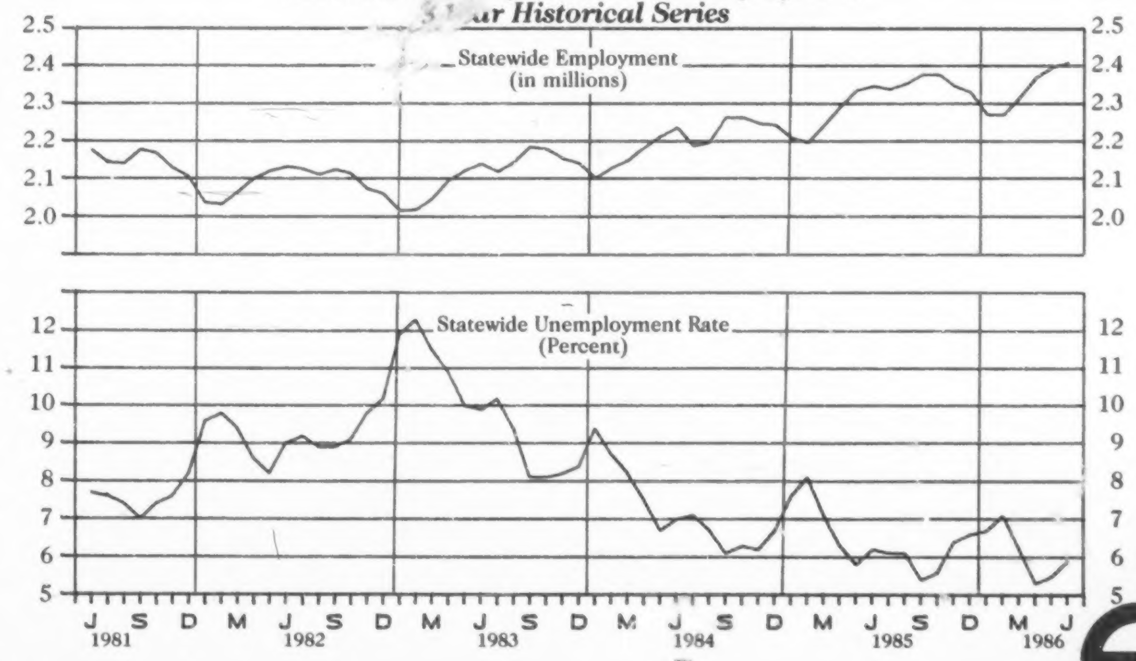

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COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - JUN 1986 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - MAY 1986 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - JUN 1985 (BENCHMARKED 1985)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2561790	2410013	151777	5.9	2539807	2399426	140381	5.5	2503586	2347949	155637	6.2
ST. LOUIS MSA	1257772	1170482	87290	6.9	1242154	1161860	80294	6.5	1229182	1131304	97878	8.0
KANSAS CITY MSA	804826	767633	37193	4.6	796502	761912	34590	4.3	819287	783796	35491	4.3
SPRINGFIELD MSA	116950	111823	5127	4.4	118131	113024	5107	4.3	114567	108625	5942	5.2
COLUMBIA MSA	59311	57488	1823	3.1	61456	59442	2014	3.3	57718	55359	2359	4.1
JOPLIN MSA	69055	65146	3909	5.7	68125	64712	3413	5.0	66501	62744	3757	5.6
ST. JOSEPH MSA	43633	40590	3043	7.0	43434	40446	2988	6.9	41861	39131	2730	6.5
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	13551	12898	653	4.8	14041	13347	694	4.9	13404	12711	693	5.2
ANDREW	7862	7463	399	5.1	7636	7259	377	4.9	7070	6800	270	3.8
ATCHISON	3375	3223	152	4.5	3367	3222	145	4.3	3613	3413	200	5.5
AUDRAIN	10679	10017	662	6.2	10488	9785	703	6.7	11555	10607	948	8.2
BARRY	12539	11855	684	5.5	12757	12087	670	5.3	12069	11430	639	5.3
BARTON	5739	5515	224	3.9	5560	5391	169	3.0	5517	5352	165	3.0
BATES	6700	6276	424	6.3	6601	6224	377	5.7	6794	6378	416	6.1
BENTON	6176	5792	384	6.2	6047	5686	361	6.0	5632	5327	305	5.4
BOLLINGER	3585	3201	384	10.7	3632	3261	371	10.2	3908	3356	552	14.1
BUTLER	16859	15132	1727	10.2	16511	14913	1598	9.7	16424	15094	1330	8.1
CALDWELL	3446	3266	180	5.2	3507	3319	188	5.4	3218	3050	168	5.2
CALLAWAY	15045	14221	824	5.5	15290	14398	892	5.8	15759	14657	1102	7.0
CAMDEN	17078	16448	630	3.7	16354	15676	678	4.1	15283	14627	656	4.3
CAPE GIRARDEAU	34188	32725	1463	4.3	33689	32282	1407	4.2	31785	30283	1502	4.7
CARROLL	5469	5016	453	8.3	5584	5278	306	5.5	5176	4885	291	5.6
CARTER	2377	2062	315	13.3	2346	2049	297	12.7	2530	2305	225	8.9
CEDAR	5199	4880	319	6.1	5064	4766	298	5.9	5275	4960	315	6.0
CHARITON	5160	4911	249	4.8	5174	4925	249	4.8	5288	5039	249	4.7
CLARK	3857	3614	243	6.3	4004	3727	277	6.9	3654	3398	256	7.0
CLINTON	6562	6192	370	5.6	6365	6031	334	5.2	6773	6395	378	5.6
COLE/OSAGE LMA	40554	38619	1935	4.8	40015	38375	1640	4.1	39170	37038	2132	5.4
COOPER	7125	6455	670	9.4	7175	6551	624	8.7	6840	6403	437	6.4
CRAWFORD	7322	6699	623	8.5	7133	6526	607	8.5	7340	6680	660	9.0
DADE	3108	2953	155	5.0	3046	2907	139	4.6	3147	2985	162	5.1
DALLAS	4253	3932	321	7.5	4120	3841	279	6.8	4158	3728	430	10.3
DAVIESS	3867	3729	138	3.6	3949	3810	139	3.5	3816	3662	154	4.0
DEKALB	4242	4073	169	4.0	4274	4096	178	4.2	3956	3765	191	4.8
DENT	6163	5488	675	11.0	5953	5372	581	9.8	5424	4966	458	8.4
DOUGLAS	4992	4571	421	8.4	5020	4684	336	6.7	5372	4850	522	9.7
DUNKLIN	14367	13072	1295	9.0	14139	12910	1229	8.7	14372	13023	1349	9.4
GASCONADE	7520	7119	401	5.3	7446	7086	360	4.8	7264	6872	392	5.4
GENTRY	3439	3295	144	4.2	3400	3278	122	3.6	3518	3387	131	3.7
GRUNDY	5489	5210	279	5.1	5224	4852	372	7.1	5302	4977	325	6.1
HARRISON	5201	4994	207	4.0	5142	4924	218	4.2	5034	4846	188	3.7
HENRY	9339	8761	578	6.2	9158	8613	545	6.0	9121	8518	603	6.6
HICKORY	3103	2934	169	5.4	3199	3029	170	5.3	2591	2400	191	7.4
HOLT	2871	2763	108	3.8	2856	2737	119	4.2	2836	2718	118	4.2
HOWARD	4896	4584	312	6.4	4881	4616	265	5.4	4900	4631	269	5.5
HOWELL	13020	11864	1156	8.9	12912	11876	1036	8.0	13137	11969	1168	8.9
IRON	3782	3272	510	13.5	3611	3143	468	13.0	3608	3014	594	16.5
JOHNSON	16863	16276	587	3.5	17563	16917	646	3.7	17310	16684	626	3.6
KNOX	2354	2233	121	5.1	2272	2174	98	4.3	2333	2176	157	6.7
LACLEDE	12270	11456	814	6.6	12001	11278	723	6.0	12602	11563	1039	8.2
LAWRENCE	14503	13635	868	6.0	14287	13490	797	5.6	13937	13132	805	5.8

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	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	5531	5033	498	9.0	5404	4930	474	8.8	5578	5162	416	7.5
LINCOLN	12784	12068	716	5.6	12440	11806	634	5.1	11274	10357	917	8.1
LINN	6878	6502	376	5.5	6870	6513	357	5.2	6913	6495	418	6.0
LIVINGSTON	6961	6709	252	3.6	6985	6700	285	4.1	6899	6554	345	5.0
MACON	8576	7281	1295	15.1	8421	6906	1515	18.0	8086	7643	443	5.5
MADISON	4466	3996	470	10.5	4301	3911	390	9.1	4226	3793	433	10.2
MARIES	4132	3839	293	7.1	4034	3788	246	6.1	3850	3601	249	6.5
MARION/RALLS LMA	19937	18722	1215	6.1	19655	18429	1226	6.2	18737	17601	1136	6.1
MCDONALD	8118	7603	515	6.3	8337	7968	369	4.4	7966	7522	444	5.6
MERCER	1730	1642	88	5.1	1770	1653	117	6.6	1714	1655	59	3.4
MILLER	11023	10359	664	6.0	10893	10193	700	6.4	10662	9938	724	6.8
MISSISSIPPI	6725	5984	741	11.0	6460	5870	590	9.1	6709	5977	732	10.9
MONITEAU	6517	6162	355	5.4	6577	6205	372	5.7	6288	5875	413	6.6
MONROE	5612	5293	319	5.7	5489	5231	258	4.7	4939	4726	213	4.3
MONTGOMERY	5229	4877	352	6.7	5219	4900	319	6.1	5175	4822	353	6.8
MORGAN	7770	7352	418	5.4	7514	7104	410	5.5	7494	7085	409	5.5
NEW MADRID	9716	8805	911	9.4	9423	8601	822	8.7	9682	8615	1067	11.0
NODAWAY	10417	10088	329	3.2	10788	10378	410	3.8	10258	9873	385	3.8
OREGON	3818	3439	379	9.9	3839	3455	384	10.0	3773	3344	429	11.4
OZARK	3771	3553	218	5.8	3776	3529	247	6.5	3680	3448	232	6.3
PEMISCOT	9795	8768	1027	10.5	9244	8416	828	9.0	8976	8072	904	10.1
PERRY	8372	7899	473	5.6	8153	7694	459	5.6	7985	7564	421	5.3
PETTIS	19825	18458	1367	6.[illegible]	19591	18391	1200	6.1	18840	17476	1364	7.2
PHELPS	16292	15418	874	5.4	17094	16243	851	5.0	15709	14800	909	5.8
PIKE	9049	8528	521	5.8	8903	8412	491	5.5	8371	7652	719	8.6
POLK	9316	8583	733	7.9	9174	8662	512	5.6	8840	7947	893	10.1
PULASKI	13002	12313	689	5.3	12817	12196	621	4.8	11965	11362	603	5.0
PUTNAM	2402	2303	99	4.1	2353	2245	108	4.6	2380	2271	109	4.6
RANDOLPH	12870	11899	971	7.5	12720	11815	905	7.1	11965	11323	642	5.4
REYNOLDS	2035	1658	377	18.5	2019	1679	340	16.8	1895	1541	354	18.7
RIPLEY	4677	4226	451	9.6	4631	4221	410	8.9	4398	4025	373	8.5
SALINE	12644	12022	622	4.9	12525	11945	580	4.6	12481	11911	570	4.6
SCOTLAND	2572	2492	80	3.1	2534	2453	81	3.2	2581	2477	104	4.0
SCOTT	18820	17425	1395	7.4	18398	17098	1300	7.1	18088	16617	1471	8.1
SHANNON	3327	2892	435	13.1	3269	2879	390	11.9	3529	3058	471	13.3
SHELBY	3936	3753	183	4.6	3864	3682	182	4.7	3779	3653	126	3.3
ST. CLAIR	3619	3434	185	5.1	3482	3336	146	4.2	3688	3486	202	5.5
ST. FRANCOIS	18976	17542	1434	7.6	18927	17549	1378	7.3	18982	17262	1720	9.1
STE. GENEVIEVE	7779	7267	512	6.6	7390	6982	408	5.5	7000	6549	451	6.4
STODDARD	13998	12705	1293	9.2	13606	12425	1181	8.7	13036	12066	970	7.4
STONE	11043	10404	639	5.8	10252	9546	706	6.9	10772	10113	659	6.1
SULLIVAN	3685	3464	221	6.0	3674	3415	259	7.0	3642	3435	207	5.7
TANEY	19138	18374	764	4.0	17788	16972	816	4.6	16912	16162	750	4.4
TEXAS	10290	9095	1195	11.6	9955	8993	962	9.7	9938	8695	1243	12.5
VERNON	9558	9145	413	4.3	9415	9041	374	4.0	9431	9075	356	3.8
WARREN	9598	9144	454	4.7	9701	9258	443	4.6	8735	8230	505	5.8
WASHINGTON	6046	4976	1070	17.7	6233	5457	776	12.4	6510	5545	965	14.8
WAYNE	5012	4364	648	12.9	4768	4166	602	12.6	4694	4197	497	10.6
WEBSTER	10220	9197	1023	10.0	9968	9140	828	8.3	9734	9038	696	7.2
WORTH	1480	1431	49	3.3	1455	1401	54	3.7	1341	1299	42	3.1
WRIGHT	7377	6473	904	12.3	7259	6456	803	11.1	7455	6726	729	9.8

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
June, 1986

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2155.6	2162.8	2115.4									
Total Manufacturing	423.5	425.9	433.7	396.66	398.38	388.96	40.6	40.2	40.9	9.77	9.91	9.51
Durable Goods	241.6	243.9	247.4	441.41	444.22	433.02	41.8	41.4	42.0	10.56	10.73	10.31
Lumber & Wood Products	10.2	10.0	10.0	272.83	262.11	238.12	40.6	40.7	39.1	6.72	6.44	6.09
Furniture & Fixtures	10.4	10.3	10.2	329.81	312.17	360.36	43.0	42.3	48.5	7.67	7.38	7.43
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	11.9	11.7	10.9	473.34	456.65	450.83	42.3	42.4	43.1	11.19	10.77	10.46
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.0	544.11	530.84	554.38	39.4	38.3	38.9	13.81	13.86	14.02
Structural Clay Prod.	2.1	2.0	1.9	474.97	489.23	449.69	38.9	40.2	38.7	12.21	12.17	11.62
Primary Metal Industries	12.3	12 6	12.8	460.64	453.46	462.67	48.9	41.0	42.8	11.02	11.06	10.81
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.5	1.6	1.8	384.74	393.16	375.14	40.8	40.2	40.6	9.43	9.78	9.24
Nonferrous Foundries	3.2	3.2	3.2	364.56	340.65	338.12	43.4	41.9	42.8	8.40	8.13	7.90
Fabricated Metal Products	28.1	28.1	29.1	404.19	414.83	396.15	40.5	41.4	41.7	9.98	10.02	9.50
Structural Metal Prod.	11.4	11.3	11.2	392.76	400.48	376.41	40.7	41.5	41.5	9.65	9.65	9.07
Machinery Exc. Electrical	30.5	30.8	30.8	401.02	419.74	404.01	43.4	41.6	41.1	9.24	10.09	9.83
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	44.5	47.8	51.2	384.87	385.97	376.65	40.9	40.8	40.5	9.41	9.46	9.30
Transportation Equipment	74.4	73.4	73.1	580.64	590.66	584.73	42.6	42.1	43.8	13.63	14.03	13.35
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	37.6	37.4	36.0	595.45	616.25	625.14	42.9	42.5	45.3	13.88	14.50	13.80
Instruments & Related Prod.	12.2	12.1	11.7	326.27	294.36	286.10	41.3	39.3	38.3	7.90	7.49	7.47
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.3	7.3	7.6	263.72	270.58	245.89	38.0	39.5	38.3	6.94	6.85	6.42
Nondurable Goods	181.9	182.0	186.3	337.43	335.72	331.35	39.1	38.5	39.4	8.63	8.72	8.41
Food & Kindred Products	45.8	45.5	44.5	401.94	396.47	384.62	42.0	41.0	40.7	9.57	9.67	9.45
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	12.3	12.3	11.7	291.62	277.20	247.50	41.6	39.6	39.1	7.01	7.00	6.33
Dairy Products	6.3	6.4	6.1	403.19	430.53	437.43	40.4	42.5	45.9	9.98	10.13	9.53
Grain Mill Products	7.2	7.1	7.0	438.33	433.02	402.96	43.1	42.0	39.7	10.17	10.31	10.15
Bakery Products	5.5	5.4	5.3	481.70	428.63	382.52	55.4	40.9	38.1	10.50	10.48	10.04
Beverages	10.0	9.8	9.8	533.57	554.57	595.60	36.9	37.7	40.6	14.46	14.71	14.67

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Other Food & Kind. Prod.	4.4	4.5	4.6	407.73	437.57	418.91	43.1	46.6	43.5	9.46	9.39	9.63
Textile & Apparel	23.6	23.4	24.8	194.45	188.91	197.06	35.1	34.1	35.7	5.54	5.54	5.52
Paper & Allied Products	13.5	13.3	13.9	394.38	398.96	377.92	40.7	41.3	40.9	9.69	9.66	9.24
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	6.9	6.9	7.1	405.90	403.38	396.06	41.0	41.5	42.0	9.90	9.72	9.43
Printing & Publishing	40.8	41.0	40.6	377.89	382.18	378.85	38.6	39.4	39.3	9.79	9.70	9.64
Commercial Printing	13.7	13.6	13.1	439.56	444.70	432.80	40.7	41.6	40.6	10.80	10.69	10.66
Chemicals & Allied	28.7	28.7	29.5	431.48	449.04	435.59	40.1	40.6	40.9	10.76	11.06	10.65
Leather & Leather Products	15.9	16.9	18.7	193.25	177.55	206.12	35.2	32.4	38.1	5.49	5.48	5.41
Footwear Exc. Rubber	12.7	13.6	15.1	180.42	164.95	201.40	34.3	31.3	38.0	5.26	5.27	5.30
Total Nonmanufacturing												
Mining	6.0	6.1	6.6									
Construction	109.8	106.4	99.7									
Transportation & Public Util.	140.3	144.5	142.7									
Railroad Transportation	18.1	18.1	15.1									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	70.3	71.5	72.6									
Communications	51.9	54.9	54.9									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	535.8	530.7	513.1									
Wholesale Trade	129.9	129.5	131.8									
Retail Trade	405.9	401.3	381.2									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	126.3	124.2	122.3									
Services	489.8	485.1	470.3									
Government	324.0	339.9	327.0									
Federal Government	71.5	71.4	71.5									
State & Local Government	252.5	268.5	255.5									

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in June was 6700 lower than a year ago. Half of this drop should be regained in the next month with the end of the strike.

Seasonal gains in employment were also prominent in June, with services employment increasing by 4700 jobs, retail trade by 4600, and construction by 3400. All these industries have also been experiencing underlying growth, with employment increasing over the past year by 19,500, 24,700, and 10,100, respectively, to new high levels.

Over the past year, the labor force has grown by 58,300. Total employment grew by 62,100, while the number of jobless Missourians fell by 3800. The unemployment rate has dropped three-tenths of a percentage point from June 1985's 6.2 percent rate.

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

The U.S. economy weakened substantially in the second quarter. Gross national product is estimated to have grown at only a 1.1 percent annual rate in the quarter, the poorest showing since the end of 1982, as the recession was ending. Except for the third quarter of 1985 and the first quarter of 1986, the economy has been slowing since the beginning of 1985. Even with the spurt of growth in the first quarter of this year, the economy has only managed a slightly better than 2 percent rate of growth since the third quarter of last year.

National unemployment dropped back to 7.1 percent in June, the same as in April, after having increased to 7.3 percent in May. This gives some credence to the idea that the increase noted in May actually represented difficulty in seasonal adjustment rather than an underlying increase in unemployment. Total civilian employment, also seasonally adjusted, increased by more than half a million in June after a smaller April increase. Nonfarm payroll actually declined slightly in June, but if adjustment is made for the more than 170,000 workers who were on strike in the month, there was little significant change.

Compared to a year ago, the number of unemployed Americans has shown little change, but total civilian employment is up by about 3 million, lowering the unemployment rate by two-tenths of a percentage point. The number of nonfarm payroll jobs has increased by about 2.4 million over the year, essentially all in the service-producing industries.

Outlook

The weakness is the goods-producing sector of the economy has become pervasive, bringing economic growth nearly to a halt. The hoped-for stimulus resulting from lower interest rates and the lower value of the dollar in world markets has yet to materialize. This may mean only that these effects are slower in coming than originally thought. Uncertainties surrounding the effects of tax reform may also be taking their toll on some activities, notably business investment in plant and equipment. As a whole, the condition of the economy seems more delicately balanced than it has for some time.

In Missouri, both employment and unemployment should drop off slightly in the next months, on seasonal grounds. A sharp drop in unemployment, with some increase in employment, should begin in September. There has been some increase in unemployment insurance claims activity recently, and unemployment may not decline other than seasonally in the upcoming months. The strength in employment has been coming from retail trade, services, and construction. Seasonal conditions will be causing these industries to peak shortly, but the underlying trend in trade and services still looks positive.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments Missouri — June, 1986

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,561,800	2,539,800	2,503,500	22,000	58,300
Total Employed	2,410,000	2,399,400	2,347,900	10,600	62,100
Total Unemployed	151,800	140,400	155,600	11,400	-3,800
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	5.9	5.5	6.2	0.4	-0.3
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	2,155,600	2,162,800	2,115,400	-7,200	40,200
Manufacturing	423,500	425,900	433,700	-2,400	-10,200
Durable Goods	241,600	243,900	247,400	-2,300	-5,800
Nondurable Goods	181,900	182,000	186,300	-100	-4,400
Nonmanufacturing	1,732,000	1,736,900	1,681,700	-4,900	50,300
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	8,225	7,960	7,612	265	613
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	45,905	44,424	37,750	1,481	8,155
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.3	2.2	2.2	0.1	0.1
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	3,216	3,556	3,135	-340	81
Amount of Benefits Paid	$16,176,417	$17,434,078	$13,213,819	-$1,257,661	$2,962,598
State U.I.	15,898,879	17,161,384	12,979,786	-1,262,505	2,919,093
UCFE	133,367	135,872	120,099	-2,505	-23,268
UCX	144,171	136,822	123,934	7,349	20,237

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

June, 1986

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Following three consecutive months of moderate declines, the May 1986 Kansas City Area unemployment rate held steady at 4.3 per cent of the labor force. The civilian labor force grew moderately by 6,100 as graduates and early summer job seekers entered the labor market and many successfully found work. Civilian employment increased by 5,800 over-the-month. Layoffs in the Manufacturing sector, which resulted in a slight increase in the number of jobless of 300, prevented the expected drop in the rate. The bulk of the increase in nonagricultural payroll jobs occurred in the seasonally related Nonmanufacturing industries. More than eighty-five per cent of the new jobs recorded over-the-month occurred in Retail and Wholesale Trade, Services, Transportation, Communications and Utilities and Finance, Insurance and Real Estate. These gains were partially offset by losses in the goods producing, Construction, Machinery and Transportation Equipment industries.

Wage and salaried employment in May 1986 was 704,800, up by 3,600 from the April 1986 total of 701,200. The nonmanufacturing sector led the Area's industrial job growth with overall increase of 3,900 jobs. Retail Trade topped the list of job producers with 1,400 new jobs mainly in department stores and eating and drinking establishments. The Services followed with 1,100 jobs mostly in agricultural, business and recreational services. Led by a substantial job gain in air transportation and despite losses in communications, the Transportation, Communications and Utilities sector posted an increase of 800 jobs over-the-month. Gains spread equally between durable and nondurable goods resulted in over-all growth of 700 jobs in Wholesale Trade. The increase of 400 jobs in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate were widely scattered among those industries.

Job losses over-the-month were concentrated in the goods producing industries. The Construction industry recorded what is expected to be a temporary lull in its recent growth trend, with a modest loss of 300 jobs, primarily within the special trades contractors industry. Manufacturing continued to show declines in the fifth consecutive month of the year. From January 1986, the Manufacturing sector has lost overall a thousand jobs. Layoffs within the construction equipment and transportation equipment industries contributed losses of 400 jobs in Machinery and 200 jobs in Transportation Equipment. All other industries in the Area showed only minor employment changes over-the-month.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 3,000 from May 1985 to May 1986. For the fourth straight month Manufacturing jobs fell below year ago levels, while Nonmanufacturing jobs contributed the only significant growth over 1985 levels. Durable Goods Manufacturing was down by 1,900 jobs, Nondurable Goods Manufacturing lost 400 and Nonmanufacturing increased by 5,100 over the year ago totals. With the one exception of Chemicals which added 600 jobs, all the Area's industries showing year ago gains were in the Nonmanufacturing sector. The substantial growth of eating and drinking establishments contributed another 5,000 jobs to the Retail Trade sector over-the-year. Finance, Insurance and Real Estate added 1,900 new jobs in the Area. Increased activities in the local school districts added 1,500 jobs to Local Government and higher levels of employment in tax processing activities held Federal Goverrnment over year ago total by 500 jobs. The recent growth in air transportation offset declines in railroad, communications and utilities and resulted in overall job gain of 1,200 in Transportation, Communications and Utilities.

Among the losers compared to last year's totals, Construction and Services recorded unexpectedly lower levels than prevailed in 1985. Construction, led by losses in special trades contractors fell under last year's levels by 3,000. Despite gains in atricultural and business services, the Services industry also fell below May 1985 levels by 1,900 jobs. These losses were scattered among recreation, hotels, personal services and hospitals. Not surprising were losses, compared to year ago figures, in Machinery, down by 400, primarily as a result of layoffs in the construction equipment industry, and Electrical Equipment which dropped by 1,200, distributed widely among all sectors.

Total unemployment on a place of residence basis was 34,300 in May 1986, for 4.3 per cent of the labor force, compared to 34,000 in April 1986 for 4.3 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

The surge of new entrants and summer workers into the labor force and the onset of a major strike in the Area will send the unemployment rate up sharply in June 1986. Losses in Government, as Area schools close for the summer break will also contribute to the increase in the number of jobless. Although little change is expected in the Manufacturing sector, employment will increase in Services and made substantial improvement compared to last year with 5,400 jobs gained over-the-year, Finance, Insurance and Real Estate and State and Local Government together accounted for 3,400 new jobs over the period.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 37,200 in June 1986, for 4.6 per cent of the labor force, compared to 34,600 in May 1986 for 4.3 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

Settlement of the communications workers strike and the return to work of 6000 workers will send the Area's July 1986 unemployment down by three-tenths of a percentage point. Although model changeovers in the automobile industry are expected during the month, they are expected to have little effect on the Area's unemployment situation. Construction and Services are expected to show marked improvement in employment levels over-the-month. Unemployment is expected to be 4.4 per cent of the labor force in July 1986 compared to 4.6 per cent of the labor force in June 1986.

The unemployment rate is expected to rise in August 1986 after falling slightly in July 1986. The number of entrants and re-entering workers in the labor force will continue to rise. Employment in Services, Construction and Retail Trade will reach their annual high points. Although some sectors will continue to show improvement the Area's economy may not be strong enough to fully absorb the flow of new workers, resulting in a slight rise in the unemployment rate. Unemployment is expected to be 4.8 per cent of the labor force in August 1986.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1985)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas

Month and Year of Current: June, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	700,900	705,700	706,100	-4,800	-5,200
Total Manufacturing	116,600	118,700	119,700	-2,100	-3,100
Durable Goods	65,100	67,800	68,400	-2,700	-3,300
Lumber & Furniture	3,300	3,300	3,100	0	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,800	3,800	4,200	0	-400
Primary Metal Industries	3,700	3,700	3,600	0	+100
Fabricated Metal Products	9,500	9,600	9,700	-100	-200
Machinery Except Electrical	7,600	7,800	6,800	-200	+800
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	17,800	20,400	21,700	-2,600	-3,900
Transportation Equipment	15,300	15,300	15,400	0	-100
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(14,900)	(15,000)	(15,200)	(-100)	(-300)
Other Durable Goods	4,000	4,000	3,800	0	+200
Nondurable Goods	51,500	50,900	51,300	+600	+200
Food & Kindred Products	9,500	9,200	9,300	+300	+200
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,400	2,400	2,500	0	-100
Paper & Allied Products	5,800	5,700	5,700	+100	+100
Printing & Publishing	19,900	19,800	20,000	+100	-100
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,900	8,800	8,100	+100	+800
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	4,500	4,400	5,100	+100	-600
Total Nonmanufacturing	584,300	586,900	586,500	-2,600	-2,200
Mining & Quarrying	500	500	500	0	0
Construction	29,100	29,100	33,300	0	-4,200
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	50,700	54,200	53,400	-3,500	-2,700
Wholesale & Retail Trade	190,700	189,700	185,300	+1,000	+5,400
Wholesale Trade	(56,300)	(56,500)	(56,200)	(-200)	(+100)
Retail Trade	(134,500)	(133,300)	(129,100)	(+1,200)	(+5,400)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	53,500	52,900	51,900	+600	+1,600
Services	153,200	153,700	157,500	-500	-4,300
Government	106,600	106,900	104,600	-300	+2,000
Federal Government	(29,000)	(29,200)	(28,800)	(-200)	(+200)
State & Local Government	(77,600)	(77,700)	(75,800)	(-100)	(+1,800)
In Labor-Management Disputes	6,000	100	100	+5,900	+5,900

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data:** June, 1986

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$450.14	$446.62	$461.16	40.7	40.2	42.0	$11.06	$11.11	$10.98
Durable Goods	484.67	474.01	499.56	40.9	39.9	42.3	11.86	11.88	11.81
Lumber & Furniture	294.89	276.93	316.58	38.7	36.2	41.6	7.62	7.65	7.61
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	492.41	425.64	537.37	41.0	38.8	41.4	12.01	10.97	12.98
Primary Metal Industries	456.07	465.68	539.52	37.2	36.9	45.8	12.26	12.62	11.78
Fabricated Metal Products	399.91	411.46	382.08	39.4	40.3	39.8	10.15	10.21	9.60
Machinery Exc. Electrical	381.30	392.08	395.32	37.2	37.7	41.7	10.25	10.40	9.48
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	435.89	422.45	462.99	40.1	38.3	40.9	10.87	11.03	11.32
Transportation Equipment	673.79	676.40	689.29	44.8	44.5	45.8	15.04	15.20	15.05
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(682.03)	(684.16)	(684.47)	(44.9)	(44.6)	(45.9)	(15.19)	(15.34)	(15.13)
Other Durable Goods	282.61	234.04	258.37	40.2	35.3	36.7	7.03	6.63	7.04
Nondurable Goods	396.55	401.30	396.33	40.3	40.7	41.5	9.84	9.86	9.55
Food & Kindred Products	420.58	426.55	419.34	44.6	44.9	42.4	9.43	9.50	9.89
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	170.03	187.80	190.85	31.9	35.5	34.7	5.33	5.29	5.50
*Paper & Allied Products	449.98	443.26	384.74	43.9	43.8	40.8	10.25	10.12	9.43
Printing & Publishing	397.81	405.60	425.08	37.6	38.3	40.6	10.58	10.59	10.47
Chemicals & Allied Products	452.00	450.38	506.23	39.1	38.2	46.7	11.56	11.79	10.84
Petroleum & Coal Products	485.00	439.01	361.52	38.8	33.9	38.5	12.50	12.95	9.39
Other Nondurable Goods	302.99	318.52	306.68	41.0	42.3	41.0	7.39	7.53	7.48

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

June, 1986

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate increased from 6.5% in May to 6.9% in June. Unemployment rose by 7000 and total employment added 8600 workers. Increased summer job opportunities for area teenagers coupled with continued expansion of the construction, finance and real estate sectors caused the total employment gain. Unemployment was affected by a greater than normal decline in state and local government employment, former striking airline attendants being unable to find work. Over the year, employment rose by 39,200 and unemployment declined 10,600. The June, 1985 unemployment rate was 8.0%. Nonmanufacturing continues to supply the great majority of new job opportunities. During the first half of 1986, the area's unemployment rate averaged 6.9%. Employment gains averaged 39,200 during the first 6 months of this year over the first half of 1985 while unemployment declines averaged 8,700. The average unemployment rate during the first half of last year was 7.8%. Manufacturing has registered little improvement during this period but significant gains occurred in nonmanufacturing. Construction, which had a good year in 1985, has added an average of 6,200 workers. Trade, due to restaurant growth and the completion of 3 major retail developments, is up 6,600. An average of 3,400 new workers were reported in finance and real estate due to declining interest rates and mortgage refinancings. Services, helped by a recovery occurring in health care, is up 9,000 during the same period. There were 2,400 labor disputants in June, 400 in May, and 100 in May, 1985.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment increased 900 over the month. A seasonal increase of 800 workers occurred in the aircraft industry. Motor vehicles added 300 employees to stand at 22,400 in June. A strike affecting 900 communication workers caused the 800 decline in electronic equipment. Over the year, manufacturing decreased 1000 workers. This overall decline is mainly due to the labor dispute that occurred in electronics. Motor vehicles and aircraft continued to supply the only major gains over 1985 levels. Small improvements were reported by lumber, stone, nonelectrical machinery, and other nondurables. Imports continued to depress employment in primary metals, apparel and leather. Chemicals, affected by layoffs and early retirements, lost 1000 workers since last year.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing declined 1000 over the month. State and local government, down 6400, was affected by a seasonal layoff of nonteaching school workers. Trade, up 2500, added a large number of summer job workers. Seasonal gains in hotels and recreation caused the 1800 increase in services. Continued strong activity in the residential home buying market was responsible for the increases in construction, finance and real estate. A strike affecting 1100 communication workers caused the decline in communications and public utilities. Over the year, nonmanufacturing is up by 16,900. Significant gains continue to be reported in construction, trade, finance and services.

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in July, 1986 is expected to be 6.8%.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

The industry distribution of Missouri resident claimants is:

Industry	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.
Mining	32	59	33	35
Construction	3077	1854	1614	1694
Manufacturing	4447	3669	3759	3843
Public Utilities	817	856	803	853
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2521	2176	2048	2054
Finance	305	262	255	281
Services	6129	5268	5214	5412
All Other	333	267	234	257
TOTAL	17666	14411	13960	14429

The occupational distribution of the intrastate Missouri resident claimant is:

Occupation	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1679	1595	1594	1666
Clerical	2443	2211	2227	2220
Sales	695	578	561	568
Farm, Fish & Forest	227	114	78	77
Processing	409	347	282	280
Machine Trades	1365	1110	987	971
Bench Work	864	684	803	762
Structural Work	2116	1549	1384	1323
Misc. Work	2416	1955	1707	1677
Service	2529	2033	2072	2121
INA	2923	2235	2265	2764
TOTAL	17666	14411	13960	14429

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1986 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	**Openings Received Percent**	**Openings Filled Percent**
Professional, Technical & Managerial	3.5	1.6
Clerical	15.7	12.2
Sales	17.3	20.2
Processing	1.7	2.0
Machine Trades	4.9	4.5
Bench Work	3.5	4.0
Structural Work	11.0	12.6
Motor Freight & Trans.	3.7	3.2
Packaging & Material Handling	9.9	11.9
Domestic	1.0	0.9
Other Services	26.4	25.7
Other Occupations	1.4	1.2

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area **Month and Year of Current:** June, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,088,400	1,088,500	1,072,500	-100	+15,900
Percent Change				*	+(1.5)
Manufacturing	225,100	224,200	226,100	+900	-1,000
Durable Goods	143,300	142,700	141,500	+600	+1,800
Lumber & Furniture	5,000	5,000	4,800	0	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,700	3,700	3,500	0	+200
Primary Metal Industries	13,500	13,500	14,300	0	-800
Fabricated Metal Products	16,900	16,800	17,200	+100	-300
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,100	18,100	17,900	0	+200
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	14,900	15,700	15,200	-800	-300
Transportation Equipment	58,300	57,100	55,500	+1,200	+2,800
Motor Vehicles	22,400	22,100	20,700	+300	+1,700
Aircraft & Parts	29,800	29,000	28,700	+800	+1,100
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	12,900	12,800	13,000	+100	-100
Nondurable Goods	81,800	81,500	84,600	+300	-2,800
Food & Kindred Products	21,000	21,000	21,200	0	-200
Meat Products	1,200	1,200	1,100	0	+100
Beverages	8,400	8,400	8,400	0	0
Textiles & Apparel	5,800	5,700	6,500	+100	-700
Paper & Paper Products	5,700	5,700	6,000	0	-300
Printing & Publishing	16,600	16,600	16,800	0	-200
Chemical & Allied Products	20,200	20,000	21,200	+200	-1,000
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,700	2,700	2,800	0	-100
Leather & Leather Products	4,100	4,200	4,600	-100	-500
Other Nondurable Goods	5,700	5,600	5,400	+100	+300
Nonmanufacturing	863,300	864,300	846,400	-1,000	+16,900
Mining	3,700	3,700	4,100	0	-400
Construction	58,100	57,300	53,200	+800	+4,900
Transportation & Public Utilities	71,600	72,500	73,500	-900	-1,900
Railroads	4,700	4,700	5,100	0	-400
Transportation, Except Railroads	39,500	39,500	40,000	0	-500
Communications & Public Utilities	27,400	28,300	28,400	-900	-1,000
Wholesale & Retail Trade	261,700	259,200	256,600	+2,500	+5,100
Wholesale Trade	65,600	65,100	65,600	+500	0
Retail Trade	196,100	194,100	191,000	+2,000	+5,100
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	69,300	68,100	65,600	+1,200	+3,700
Service, Except Domestic	266,500	264,700	258,000	+1,800	+8,500
Total Government	132,400	138,800	135,400	-6,400	-3,000
Total Federal Government	37,800	37,800	38,200	0	-400
Total State & Local Government	94,600	101,000	97,200	-6,400	-2,600
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	2,400	400	100	+2,000	+2,300

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: St. Louis Metropolitan Area **Month and Year of Current Data: June, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$450.72	$456.12	$449.04	40.1	40.4	40.6	$11.24	$11.29	$11.06
Durable Goods	469.45	472.18	475.45	40.4	40.6	41.2	11.62	11.63	11.54
Lumber & Furniture	351.78	349.08	349.16	39.0	39.4	40.6	9.02	8.86	8.60
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	406.78	408.18	391.51	37.7	37.9	37.9	10.79	10.77	10.33
Primary Metal Industries	452.63	438.70	500.64	42.5	41.0	42.9	10.65	10.70	11.67
Fabricated Metal Products	421.30	431.50	430.08	40.2	40.9	42.0	10.48	10.55	10.24
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	444.57	450.07	448.23	39.8	39.9	40.2	11.17	11.28	11.15
Elect & Electronic Equip.	360.50	378.53	382.59	41.2	41.1	39.0	8.75	9.21	9.81
Transportation Equipment	589.54	589.12	588.83	41.4	41.4	42.7	14.24	14.23	13.79
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	292.76	309.70	289.30	35.4	38.0	36.9	8.27	8.15	7.84
Nondurable Goods	413.70	423.34	400.93	39.4	39.9	39.5	10.50	10.61	10.15
Food & Kindred Products	499.79	514.16	475.02	40.6	41.7	40.6	12.31	12.33	11.70
Textiles & Apparel	207.98	208.32	216.35	33.6	33.6	36.3	6.19	6.20	5.96
Paper & Paper Products	428.24	436.22	380.29	42.4	42.6	40.2	10.10	10.24	9.46
Printing & Publishing	386.69	391.81	392.16	37.8	38.3	38.0	10.23	10.23	10.32
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	485.97	505.91	456.74	41.5	42.3	40.1	11.71	11.96	11.39
Petroleum & Coal Products	592.46	595.34	615.76	41.2	41.2	43.0	14.38	14.45	14.32
Leather & Leather Products	209.92	205.87	201.21	35.7	34.6	37.4	5.88	5.95	5.38
Other Nondurable Goods	309.66	308.10	325.86	39.7	39.0	41.3	7.80	7.90	7.89

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

June, 1986

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA unemployment rate rose one-tenth of a percentage point from May to 4.4 percent in June. The number of unemployed persons, estimated at 5,100 in June, shows no change from May. Total employment slipped 1,200 from May to 111,800 in June. Since June 1985, total employment grew by 3,200.

During June 1985, there were 5,900 unemployed workers and the rate of unemployment stood at 5.2 percent of the labor force.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Payrolled employment, estimated at 99,600, fell 1,900 from May. This reduction represents the net change of a 200 gain in manufacturing jobs and decrease of 2,100 in nonmanufacturing employment.

Currently there are 19,200 persons working in manufacturing industries, up 200 from May. While the June level of manufacturing stands 400 below one year ago, a rebound has been in progress since March. Nonmanufacturing jobs were off from 82,500 in May to 80,400 in June. This drop is seasonal in nature and reflects a reduction in employment at state and local educational institutions following the end of the school term. During the one month period, an increase of 100 in construction jobs was off-set by a corresponding drop in the number employed in transportation and public utilities.

The nonmanufacturing sector continues to account for the over-the-yer expansion in payrolled jobs. Since June 1985, nonmanufacturing jobs show a jump of 1,000.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers, estimated at $9.02 show no change

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current: June, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	99,600	101,500	99,000	-1,900	+600
Manufacturing	19,200	19,000	19,600	+200	-400
Durable Goods	10,000	9,900	10,300	+100	-300
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	1,100	1,100	1,000	0	+100
Other Durable Goods	8,900	8,800	9,300	+100	-400
Nondurable Goods	9,200	9,100	9,300	+100	-100
Food Processing	3,900	3,800	3,800	+100	+100
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,700	1,600	-100	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,700	3,600	3,900	+100	-200
Nonmanufacturing	80,400	82,500	79,400	-2,100	+1,000
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	4,600	4,500	4,300	+100	+300
Transportation & Utilities	5,800	5,900	6,400	-100	-600
Trade	27,900	27,900	27,500	0	+400
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,700	4,700	4,700	0	0
Services	25,300	25,800	24,300	-500	+1,000
Government	11,900	13,600	12,000	-1,700	-100
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	10,100	11,800	10,400	-1,700	-300
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	200	0	0	+200	+200

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from May. The average hours worked per week dropped one-tenth of an hour from May to 40.9 hours in June.

During June 1985, hourly wages averaged $8.86 and the average workweek came to 40.4 hours.

Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Overall payroll employment is expected to show a slight decrease in July. Job increases in manufacturing and public utilities will be more than off-set by additional seasonal reductions in school employment. Employment in construction, trade and services should remain near the June level during July.

Unemployment will probably show a slight downward trend during the next several months. It is possible however, that a slight artificial rise in unemployment could occur if a sizeable number of workers not eligible for vacation pay are placed on short term lay-off during plant closings during vacation in July.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: June, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$368.92	$369.82	$357.94	40.9	41.0	40.4	$9.02	$9.02	$8.86
Durable Goods	349.97	350.92	338.98	40.6	40.9	39.6	8.62	8.58	8.56
Nondurable Goods	392.64	392.78	385.63	41.2	41.0	41.6	9.53	9.58	9.27
Food & Kindred Products	463.66	447.45	381.35	43.7	42.9	40.1	10.61	10.43	9.51
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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A Monthly Review of Missouri Labor Market Information

Missouri Labor Market Review

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Missouri unemployment edged up further in July, but employment also continued to increase in tandem with strong labor force growth. The unemployment rate went up two-tenths of a percentage point from June to 6.2 percent in July. The current rate is a tenth of a point higher than it was a year ago.

About 158,700 Missourians were jobless in July, 5500 more than in June and 5800 more than in July 1985. Unemployment insurance claims data show increased unemployment in apparel, leather, and transportation equipment manufacturing. The latter stems mostly from model changeover layoffs in the automobile industry.

Although unemployment has increased somewhat more than expected since the seasonal low in April, employment has generally continued to grow. Total employment increased by 5000 between June and July to 2,416,700, as the labor force grew by 10,500. The labor force usually begins to contract in July, after swelling for the summer in May and June. Total employment is now some 77,700 higher than it was in July 1985, while the labor force is up by 83,500 over the period.

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment has exhibited a slightly different pattern. This measure of employment showed a monthly decrease of 3300 jobs to 2,154,600 in July. Model changeover layoffs led to a drop of 8700 jobs in the automobile industry, and state and local government experienced a seasonal decline of 11,800 jobs. These losses were partly offset by increases in services (6100 jobs), construction (4100 jobs), and retail trade (2500 jobs). The end of the nationwide telephone strike contributed to an employment increase of 3600 in transportation communication, and public utilities and 3200 in electrical and electronic equipment.

Weakness in the manufacturing industries continues to be

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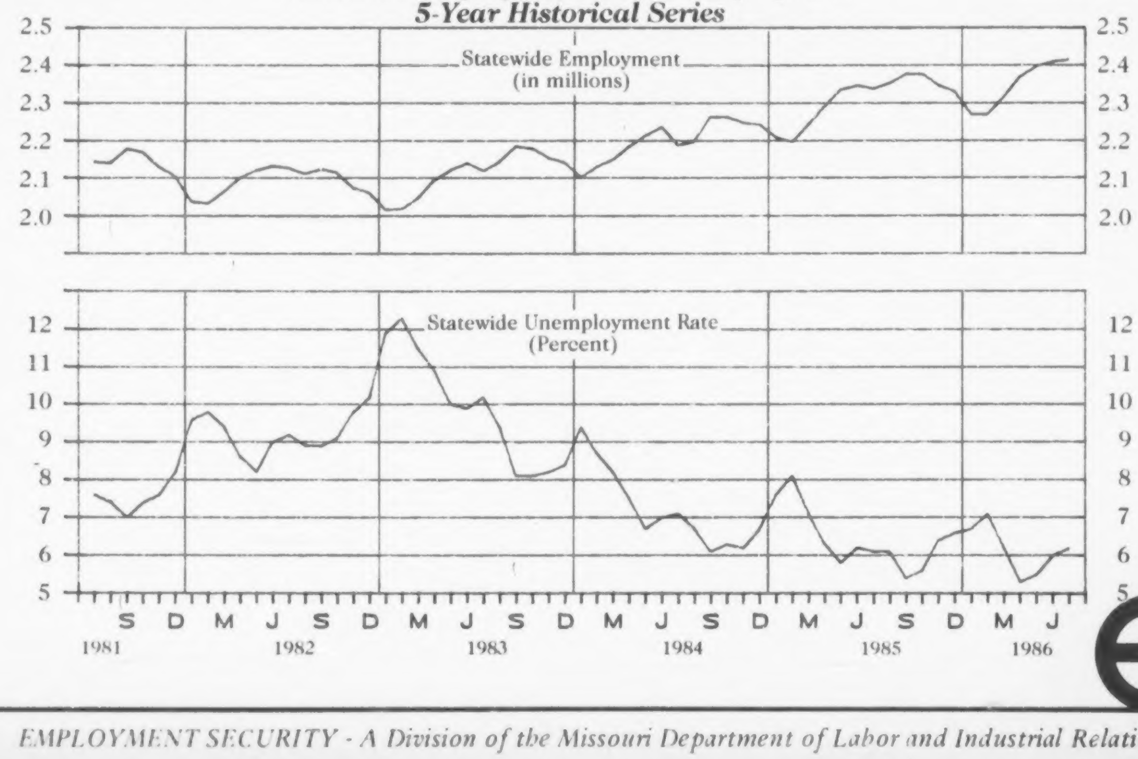

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY - A Division of the Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

Table 1

MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - JUL 1986 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - JUN 1986 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - JUL 1985 (BENCHMARKED 1985)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2575397	2416714	158683	6.2	2564934	2411749	153185	6.0	2491901	2339002	152899	6.1
ST. LOUIS MSA	1269649	1179267	90382	7.1	1260946	1172495	88451	7.0	1222894	1134854	88040	7.2
KANSAS CITY MSA	810304	772653	37651	4.6	806285	768664	37621	4.7	820029	785106	34923	4.3
SPRINGFIELD MSA	118341	113334	5007	4.2	116627	111475	5152	4.4	114301	108684	5617	4.9
COLUMBIA MSA	60028	58282	1746	2.9	59269	57440	1829	3.1	57388	55210	2178	3.8
JOPLIN MSA	69233	65005	4228	6.1	69025	65091	3934	5.7	64714	60911	3803	5.9
ST. JOSEPH MSA	43147	40181	2966	6.9	43625	40555	3070	7.0	42287	39492	2795	6.6
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	13388	12714	674	5.0	13539	12887	652	4.8	13567	12683	884	6.5
ANDREW	7631	7268	363	4.8	7859	7457	402	5.1	7247	6983	264	3.6
ATCHISON	3453	3276	177	5.1	3372	3220	152	4.5	3623	3417	206	5.7
AUDRAIN	10798	9998	800	7.4	10674	10008	666	6.2	11501	10565	936	8.1
BARRY	12733	11970	763	6.0	12536	11845	691	5.5	11762	11145	617	5.2
BARTON	5853	5628	225	3.8	5731	5507	224	3.9	6171	5481	690	11.2
BATES	6688	6245	443	6.6	6695	6271	424	6.3	6729	6327	402	6.0
BENTON	6211	5814	397	6.4	6175	5787	388	6.3	5683	5328	355	6.2
BOLLINGER	3725	3301	424	11.4	3587	3198	389	10.8	3825	3284	541	14.1
BUTLER	16113	14461	1652	10.3	16845	15119	1726	10.2	15854	14477	1377	8.7
CALDWELL	3569	3257	312	8.7	3444	3264	180	5.2	3088	2927	161	5.2
CALLAWAY	14837	13918	919	6.2	15112	14209	903	6.0	15673	14575	1098	7.0
CAMDEN	17283	16616	667	3.9	17068	16435	633	3.7	15528	14852	676	4.4
CAPE GIRARDEAU	33213	31623	1590	4.8	34164	32698	1466	4.3	30709	28982	1727	5.6
CARROLL	5591	5147	444	7.9	5467	5011	456	8.3	5486	5145	341	6.2
CARTER	2196	1885	311	14.2	2373	2060	313	13.2	2399	2021	378	15.8
CEDAR	5316	4970	346	6.5	5206	4876	330	6.3	5201	4821	380	7.3
CHARITON	5206	4895	311	6.0	5154	4907	247	4.8	5518	5180	338	6.1
CLARK	3928	3641	287	7.3	3853	3611	242	6.3	3730	3493	237	6.4
CLINTON	6464	6047	417	6.5	6559	6187	372	5.7	6332	5968	364	5.7
COLE/OSAGE LMA	41182	39213	1969	4.8	40548	38586	1962	4.8	38909	36844	2065	5.3
COOPER	6922	6481	441	6.4	7116	6449	667	9.4	7023	6569	454	6.5
CRAWFORD	7334	6673	661	9.0	7348	6693	655	8.9	6964	6420	544	7.8
DADE	3123	2900	223	7.1	3110	2951	159	5.1	3170	2906	264	8.3
DALLAS	4269	3955	314	7.4	4249	3929	320	7.5	4266	3767	499	11.7
DAVIESS	4064	3873	191	4.7	3864	3726	138	3.6	3847	3689	158	4.1
DEKALB	4246	4012	234	5.5	4265	4070	195	4.6	3961	3767	194	4.9
DENT	6223	5468	755	12.1	6166	5483	683	11.1	5600	5107	493	8.8
DOUGLAS	4974	4569	405	8.1	4994	4567	427	8.6	5294	4612	682	12.9
DUNKLIN	14287	12966	1321	9.2	14340	13061	1279	8.9	14123	12656	1467	10.4
GASCONADE	7493	6975	518	6.9	7543	7113	430	5.7	7106	6725	381	5.4
GENTRY	3397	3262	135	4.0	3436	3292	144	4.2	3400	3271	129	3.8
GRUNDY	5348	5001	347	6.5	5487	5206	281	5.1	5357	5000	357	6.7
HARRISON	5127	4891	236	4.6	5199	4990	209	4.0	5010	4807	203	4.1
HENRY	9146	8604	542	5.9	9331	8753	578	6.2	9080	8404	676	7.4
HICKORY	3135	2947	188	6.0	3101	2932	169	5.4	2714	2547	167	6.2
HOLT	2970	2849	121	4.1	2866	2760	106	3.7	2940	2847	93	3.2
HOWARD	4693	4438	255	5.4	4891	4580	311	6.4	4701	4419	282	6.0
HOWELL	13134	11746	1388	10.6	12970	11854	1116	8.6	12753	11508	1245	9.8
IRON	3127	2612	515	16.5	3788	3269	519	13.7	3510	2980	530	15.1
JOHNSON	16126	15451	675	4.2	16854	16262	592	3.5	16188	15462	726	4.5
KNOX	2413	2274	139	5.8	2353	2231	122	5.2	2326	2152	174	7.5
LACLEDE	12039	11212	827	6.9	12281	11446	835	6.8	12343	10746	1597	12.9
LAWRENCE	14758	13915	843	5.7	14485	13624	861	5.9	13968	13216	752	5.4

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	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	5417	4918	499	9.2	5526	5029	497	9.0	5331	4843	488	9.2
LINCOLN	12269	11573	696	5.7	12780	12058	722	5.6	11456	10662	794	6.9
LINN	6810	6448	362	5.3	6871	6496	375	5.5	6475	5990	485	7.5
LIVINGSTON	7039	6744	295	4.2	6955	6703	252	3.6	6865	6515	350	5.1
MACON	8060	7735	325	4.0	8561	7275	1286	15.0	7882	7136	746	9.5
MADISON	4294	3851	443	10.3	4461	3992	469	10.5	3875	3486	389	10.0
MARIES	3795	3494	301	7.9	4141	3836	305	7.4	3651	3384	267	7.3
MARION/RALLS LMA	19900	18643	1257	6.3	19931	18706	1225	6.1	18972	17691	1281	6.8
MCDONALD	8225	7586	639	7.8	8117	7597	520	6.4	8045	7594	451	5.6
MERCER	1765	1661	104	5.9	1728	1640	88	5.1	1706	1641	65	3.8
MILLER	10906	10164	742	6.8	11022	10350	672	6.1	10340	9662	678	6.6
MISSISSIPPI	6425	5804	621	9.7	6735	5979	756	11.2	6311	5671	640	10.1
MONITEAU	6409	6027	382	6.0	6527	6157	370	5.7	6261	5845	416	6.6
MONROE	5908	5634	274	4.6	5607	5288	319	5.7	5021	4787	234	4.7
MONTGOMERY	5148	4786	362	7.0	5226	4873	353	6.8	5122	4737	385	7.5
MORGAN	7637	7167	470	6.2	7766	7346	420	5.4	7461	6929	532	7.1
NEW MADRID	9613	8692	921	9.6	9826	8902	924	9.4	9352	8330	1022	10.9
NODAWAY	10453	10110	343	3.3	10410	10079	331	3.2	10259	9895	364	3.5
OREGON	3956	3551	405	10.2	3814	3436	378	9.9	3684	3265	419	11.4
OZARK	3677	3430	247	6.7	3766	3550	216	5.7	3710	3453	257	6.9
PEMISCOT	9186	8276	910	9.9	9794	8761	1033	10.5	8699	7769	930	10.7
PERRY	8392	7828	564	6.7	8369	7892	477	5.7	8018	7461	557	6.9
PETTIS	19600	18187	1413	7.2	19825	18442	1383	7.0	18661	17010	1651	8.8
PHELPS	16643	15772	871	5.2	16277	15405	872	5.4	15703	14841	862	5.5
PIKE	9175	8576	599	6.5	9043	8521	522	5.8	8311	7700	611	7.4
POLK	9301	8619	682	7.3	9278	8576	702	7.6	8611	7857	754	8.8
PULASKI	12385	11719	666	5.4	12996	12302	694	5.3	11420	10595	825	7.2
PUTNAM	2307	2211	96	4.2	2398	2301	97	4.0	2324	2180	144	6.2
RANDOLPH	12318	11668	650	5.3	12853	11889	964	7.5	12163	11329	834	6.9
REYNOLDS	2050	1634	416	20.3	2021	1657	364	18.0	1887	1529	358	19.0
RIPLEY	4416	3981	435	9.9	4685	4222	463	9.9	4207	3798	409	9.7
SALINE	12591	11887	704	5.6	12634	12012	622	4.9	12515	11779	736	5.9
SCOTLAND	2607	2513	94	3.6	2570	2490	80	3.1	2480	2398	82	3.3
SCOTT	18436	16886	1550	8.4	18819	17411	1408	7.5	17889	16258	1631	9.1
SHANNON	3102	2670	432	13.9	3325	2890	435	13.1	3429	2984	445	13.0
SHELBY	4000	3869	131	3.3	3934	3750	184	4.7	3906	3766	140	3.6
ST. CLAIR	3575	3393	182	5.1	3619	3431	188	5.2	3391	3205	186	5.5
ST. FRANCOIS	19145	17291	1854	9.7	18960	17528	1432	7.6	18239	16406	1833	10.0
STE. GENEVIEVE	7835	7281	554	7.1	7771	7260	511	6.6	7105	6615	490	6.9
STODDARD	13924	12594	1330	9.6	14006	12695	1311	9.4	12634	11591	1043	8.3
STONE	11277	10665	612	5.4	11038	10396	642	5.8	11171	10452	719	6.4
SULLIVAN	3561	3314	247	6.9	3688	3461	227	6.2	3690	3448	242	6.6
TANEY	20357	19645	712	3.5	19120	18359	761	4.0	18482	17753	729	3.9
TEXAS	9867	8910	957	9.7	10289	9087	1202	11.7	9611	8400	1211	12.6
VERNON	9454	8917	537	5.7	9558	9138	420	4.4	9159	8748	411	4.5
WARREN	9333	8901	432	4.6	9595	9137	458	4.8	8517	8108	409	4.8
WASHINGTON	6383	4760	1623	25.4	6057	4977	1080	17.8	6029	5182	847	14.0
WAYNE	4928	4332	596	12.1	5018	4360	658	13.1	4287	3827	460	10.7
WEBSTER	9905	9094	811	8.2	10217	9187	1030	10.1	9245	8355	890	9.6
WORTH	1473	1412	61	4.1	1450	1402	48	3.3	1353	1324	29	2.1
WRIGHT	6866	6170	696	10.1	7392	6468	924	12.5	6836	6188	648	9.5

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
July, 1986

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2154.6	2157.9	2100.0									
Total Manufacturing	417.3	424.0	424.1	388.97	396.66	376.75	40.1	40.6	39.7	9.70	9.77	9.49
Durable Goods	235.0	241.6	241.5	427.99	443.50	411.03	40.8	41.8	40.1	10.49	10.61	10.25
Lumber & Wood Products	10.0	10.2	9.9	264.06	271.42	245.63	40.5	41.0	40.6	6.52	6.62	6.05
Furniture & Fixtures	10.2	10.4	9.5	282.00	361.30	299.30	37.6	46.8	41.0	7.50	7.72	7.30
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	12.1	11.9	11.1	445.67	464.15	443.27	41.0	42.7	41.7	10.87	10.87	10.63
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.0	594.52	544.11	536.45	41.2	39.4	39.1	14.43	13.81	13.72
Structural Clay Prod.	2.1	2.0	2.0	467.39	474.97	423.72	38.5	38.9	36.0	12.14	12.21	11.77
Primary Metal Industries	12.0	12.3	12.6	445.56	466.91	395.53	39.5	41.8	37.0	11.28	11.17	10.69
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.5	1.6	1.7	368.77	396.98	355.39	37.1	40.8	39.4	9.94	9.73	9.02
Nonferrous Foundries	3.0	3.2	3.1	339.46	364.56	277.29	41.6	43.4	36.2	8.16	8.40	7.66
Fabricated Metal Products	27.5	28.0	28.9	396.98	410.35	398.11	39.5	41.2	41.6	10.05	9.96	9.57
Structural Metal Prod.	11.2	11.3	11.4	390.51	392.20	378.90	40.3	40.6	41.5	9.69	9.66	9.13
Machinery Exc. Electrical	30.2	30.5	31.7	402.40	422.60	402.00	40.2	41.8	40.2	10.01	10.11	10.00
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	47.9	44.7	49.5	403.85	376.38	358.53	42.6	41.0	37.7	9.48	9.18	9.51
Transportation Equipment	66.0	74.2	69.3	570.57	578.56	543.77	41.8	42.2	41.7	13.65	13.71	13.04
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	28.7	37.4	31.8	593.14	593.60	568.58	41.8	42.4	42.4	14.19	14.00	13.41
Instruments & Related Prod.	12.0	12.2	11.7	305.37	303.28	289.14	39.2	39.8	38.5	7.79	7.62	7.51
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.1	7.3	7.3	267.87	272.40	246.73	40.1	40.0	37.9	6.68	6.81	6.51
Nondurable Goods	182.3	182.4	182.6	339.47	335.48	333.20	39.2	39.1	39.2	8.66	8.58	8.50
Food & Kindred Products	46.0	45.6	44.5	401.99	393.05	387.59	41.4	41.2	40.5	9.71	9.54	9.57
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	12.4	12.3	11.4	299.52	291.20	262.01	41.6	41.6	39.4	7.20	7.00	6.65
Dairy Products	6.4	6.3	6.2	420.40	405.55	393.27	41.5	40.8	42.7	10.13	9.94	9.21
Grain Mill Products	7.1	7.0	7.1	446.03	441.94	409.85	43.6	43.8	40.3	10.23	10.09	10.17
Bakery Products	5.5	5.5	5.2	411.84	420.25	395.01	39.0	40.1	38.5	10.56	10.48	10.26
Beverages	9.9	9.9	9.8	559.02	535.76	603.11	38.5	37.0	41.0	14.52	14.48	14.71

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Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kind. Prod.	4.6	4.4	4.7	417.41	407.73	393.65	43.8	43.1	41.7	9.53	9.46	9.44
Textile & Apparel	23.6	23.8	21.3	199.92	199.99	191.33	35.7	36.1	35.3	5.60	5.54	5.42
Paper & Allied Products	13.5	13.5	13.6	394.01	393.57	378.54	41.0	40.7	40.1	9.61	9.67	9.44
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	6.9	6.9	7.1	404.58	404.84	382.86	41.2	41.2	40.6	9.82	9.85	9.43
Printing & Publishing	40.7	40.8	40.5	378.30	374.61	371.53	39.0	38.5	38.5	9.70	9.73	9.65
Commercial Printing	13.7	13.7	13.1	446.87	440.64	423.34	41.3	40.8	39.9	10.82	10.80	10.61
Chemicals & Allied	28.6	28.8	29.6	441.40	430.00	430.67	40.2	40.0	40.1	10.98	10.75	10.74
Leather & Leather Products	16.4	16.4	18.8	199.56	202.16	209.60	35.7	36.1	38.6	5.59	5.60	5.43
Footwear Exc. Rubber	13.1	13.0	15.2	188.30	193.86	205.21	35.0	35.9	38.5	5.38	5.40	5.33
Total Nonmanufacturing												
Mining	6.0	5.9	6.7									
Construction	113.8	109.7	103.7									
Transportation & Public Util.	142.6	140.5	142.1									
Railroad Transportation	18.1	18.1	15.2									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	69.0	70.5	71.7									
Communications	55.5	51.9	55.2									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	537.5	535.5	515.0									
Wholesale Trade	129.1	129.6	131.2									
Retail Trade	408.4	405.9	383.8									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	127.3	126.3	123.1									
Services	496.7	490.6	476.8									
Government	313.6	325.4	308.5									
Federal Government	71.9	71.6	71.3									
State & Local Government	241.6	253.8	237.2									

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more than offset by strength in the nonmanufacturing industries. Total manufacturing employment is down by 6800 jobs from a year ago. A number of industries in addition to the auto industry have experienced declines. Over the past 12 months the nonmanufacturing industries have grown by 61,600 jobs, including 24,600 in retail trade; 19,900 in services; 10,100 in construction; 5,100 in government; and 4,200 in finance, insurance, and real estate.

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

Revised data show the national economy to have been even weaker in the second quarter than preliminary data had shown. Growth of the economy is now estimated at a 0.6 percent annual rate in the quarter, compared to the previously estimated 1.1 percent rate. Even with the first quarter's relatively rapid 3.8 percent rate of growth, the economy expanded at only a 2.2 percent rate in the first six months of 1986. Continued deterioration in the trade balance and lower business inventory investment are largely responsible for the poor showing.

Despite the stagnation of the economy, national unemployment declined again in July. The seasonally adjusted civilian unemployment rate fell from 7.3 percent in May to 7.1 percent in June and 6.9 percent in July. The trend of employment has been upward, with total employment growing by about 3 million over the past year. Nonfarm payroll employment grew by 2.6 million jobs, many of them in the service industries and retail trade.

Outlook

The government's key barometer of future economic trends -- the index of leading economic indicators -- rose sharply in July. Although by itself this would suggest accelerating growth, the index had dropped in each of the previous two months. The economy may improve a little from the poor performance of the second quarter, but a significant increase in growth does not seem likely.

So far, employment growth in the nonmanufacturing industries does not appear to have been affected by the overall economic stagnation. If this continues, total employment may continue to grow despite the weakness in the manufacturing industries.

Missouri unemployment seems to have stopped decreasing. There should, however, be some seasonal improvement by September before the late fall and winter declines start about November.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments
Missouri — July, 1986

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1 Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From: 1 Mo. Ago	Net Change To Current Month From: 1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,575,400	2,564,900	2,491,900	10,500	83,500
Total Employed	2,416,700	2,411,700	2,339,000	5,000	77,700
Total Unemployed	158,700	153,200	152,900	5,500	5,800
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	6.2	6.0	6.1	0.2	0.1
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	2,154,600	2,157,900	2,100,000	-3,300	54,600
Manufacturing	417,300	424,000	424,100	-6,700	-6,800
Durable Goods	235,000	241,600	241,500	-6,600	-6,500
Nondurable Goods	182,300	182,400	182,600	-100	-300
Nonmanufacturing	1,737,500	1,733,900	1,675,900	3,600	61,600
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	9,547	8,225	8,569	1,322	778
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	47,275	45,905	41,785	1,370	5,490
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.4	2.3	2.3	0.1	0.1
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	3,792	3,216	3,184	576	608
Amount of Benefits Paid	$18,413,541	$16,176,417	$14,582,168	-$2,237,124	$3,831,373
State U.I.	18,041,028	15,898,879	14,315,791	2,142,149	2,725,237
UCFE	180,813	133,367	127,182	47,446	53,631
UCX	191,700	144,171	139,195	47,529	52,505

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

July, 1986

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The number of jobless workers in the Kansas City Metropolitan Area was unchanged in July 1986 from the previous level of 37,600. The Area's unemployment rate was down by one-tenth of a percentage point to 4.6 as a result of moderate growth in the civilian labor force. Over-the-month, both civilian employment and the civilian labor force grew by 4,000 as the number of domestics, self-employed and unpaid family workers increased by more than 4,500. Changes in Nonagricultural payroll jobs in the Area were dominated by the return to work of striking communications workers and temporary layoffs in school related sectors and in the automobile industry, as area auto assembly plants shutdown for retooling for model changeovers. Overall the number of Nonagricultural payroll jobs was down by 1,000.

Wage and salaried employment in July 1986 was 702,000 down by 1,000 from the June 1986 total of 703,000. Most of the major job losses occurred in the Manufacturing sector, which fell by 700 over-the-month. These losses were concentrated almost entirely in Durable Goods Manufacturing, which at 64,000 jobs, hovered for the second consecutive month well below the January high of 68,300 jobs. As 3,000 jobs were recovered in the strike affected Electronics and Electrical Equipment industry due to striking communications workers returning to work, 3,500 jobs were temporarily lost in the Motor Vehicles and Equipment industry as an Area automobile assembly plant shutdown to retool for model changeovers. Jobs within Nondurable Goods Manufacturing remained unchanged over-the-month. Job growth in Services, Retail Trade and the Federal Government kep July losses in the Nonmanufacturing sector well below the last three year's average June to July loss of 7,000. Over-the-month the overall loss within Nonmanufacturing was 300 jobs. State and Local Government, and primarily local schools, dropped by 2,600 over-the-month. Other mostly school related job losses of 800 jobs occurred in Transportation, Communications and Utilities.

Within Nonmanufacturing, Services recorded the most jobs gained with 1,500 jobs, primarily in recreational related activities. Federal Government and Retail Trade posted increases of 600 and 500 jobs respectively, scattered widely among activities. Also reporting broadly scattered job gains were Finance, Insurance and Real Estate and Construction.

Wage and salaried employment fell slightly from 702,300 to 702,000 from July 1985 to July 1986. Durable Goods Manufacturing fell by 2,200, while Nondurable Goods Manufacturing gained 300 jobs and the Nonmanufacturing sector gained 1,500 jobs over-the-year. Despite the return to work of 3,000 striking workers in the communications equipment industry, over-the-year losses in the electronics component industry and the communications equipment industry held the overall level of jobs in the Electronics and Electrical Equipment industry below the July 1985 total by 1,400 jobs. Other industries falling below year ago totals were Machinery and Fabricated Metals, which each lost 500 jobs over the period. The increase of 300 jobs in Nondurable Goods Manufacturing compared to the year ago total can be attributed primarily to an increase of 600 jobs in the Chemical Products industry.

With the exception of Retail Trade, Government and Finance, Insurance and Real Estate many Nonmanufacturing sectors showed lower levels of employment compared to last year at this time. Retail Trade continued for the sixth consecutive month to show significant improvement over the 1985 levels, with 5,400 jobs which can be attributed mainly to the job growth in eating and drinking establishments. The second largest number of jobs gained over the period was recorded in State and Local Government which added 3,000 jobs mostely as a result of increased activities in local school districts. The Federal Government also added 1,000 jobs over the period. Increased employment in insurance and credit institutions led to a 1,200 jobs increase in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate.

The remaining industries within Nonmanufacturing sector showed lower employment levels compared to last year. Construction jobs of all types were down by 4,400. The Transportation, Communications and Utilities industry was lower by 3,000 jobs, with most losses concentrated in communications and railroads. Services, down by 1,600, had fewer jobs in recreation activities. Wholesale Trade also had moderate losses of 500 over-the-year.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 37,600 in July 1986 for 4.6 per cent of the labor force compared to 37,600 in June 1986 for 4.7 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

The unemployment rate in the Area is expected to rise slightly in August 1986. The normal seasonal expansion of the labor force will continue. However, since substantial improvement in the local economy is not expected, the number and rate of unemployment will increase. Although the total number of Manufacturing jobs will show little change in August, the total number of nonmanufacturing jobs will increase moderately. Retail Trade, Services and

Construction will record their highest levels of the season. Unemployment is expected to be 4.9 per cent of the labor force in August 1986, compared to 4.6 per cent in July 1986 and 4.6 per cent in August 1985.

Schools reopening in the Area and the end of retooling in Area automobile assembly plants will send the unemployment rate down by a half a percentage point in September 1986. Employment and jobs will increase in all school related sectors. State and Local Government, Services and Transportation and Utilities will all improve noticeably during the month. Manufacturing employment will rise as the Area's automobile assembly plants begin producing new model cars. The number of unemployed will decrease as many unsuccessful jobs seekers withdraw from the labor force. Unemployment is expected to be 4.3 per cent of the labor force in September 1986, compared to 3.9 per cent in September 1985.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1985)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas

Month and Year of Current: July, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	702,000	703,000	720,300	-1,000	-300
Total Manufacturing	115,600	116,300	117,500	-700	-1,900
Durable Goods	64,000	64,700	66,200	-700	-2,200
Lumber & Furniture	3,400	3,300	3,200	+100	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,900	3,900	4,200	0	-300
Primary Metal Industries	3,600	3,700	3,400	-100	+200
Fabricated Metal Products	9,300	3,500	9,800	-200	-500
Machinery Except Electrical	7,600	7,600	8,100	0	-500
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	20,400	17,400	21,800	+3,000	-1,400
Transportation Equipment	11,900	15,200	11,900	-3,300	0
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(11,500)	(14,900)	(11,600)	(-3,500)	(-100)
Other Durable Goods	3,900	4,000	3,800	-100	+100
Nondurable Goods	51,600	51,600	51,300	0	+300
Food & Kindred Products	9,500	9,500	9,300	0	+200
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0
Paper & Allied Products	5,800	5,800	5,600	0	+200
Printing & Publishing	20,000	20,000	20,200	0	-200
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,800	8,900	8,200	-100	+600
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	4,400	4,400	5,100	0	-700
Total Nonmanufacturing	586,400	586,700	584,900	-300	+1,500
Mining & Quarrying	500	500	500	0	0
Construction	30,100	29,900	34,500	+200	-4,400
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	49,800	50,600	52,800	-800	-3,000
Wholesale & Retail Trade	191,300	190,700	186,300	+600	+5,000
Wholesale Trade	(56,200)	(56,200)	(56,700)	(0)	(-500)
Retail Trade	(135,000)	(134,500)	(129,600)	(+500)	(+5,400)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	53,900	53,600	52,200	+300	+1,700
Services	156,200	154,700	157,800	+1,500	-1,600
Government	104,700	106,800	100,700	-2,100	+4,000
Federal Government	(29,700)	(29,100)	(28,700)	(+600)	(+1,000)
State & Local Government	(75,000)	(77,600)	(72,000)	(-2,600)	(+3,000)
In Labor-Management Disputes	100	6,000	100	-5,900	0

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas   **Month and Year of Current Data:** July, 1986

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$455.67	$445.50	$426.26	40.7	40.5	40.1	$10.95	$11.00	$10.63
Durable Goods	467.88	473.49	449.86	40.3	40.4	39.6	11.61	11.72	11.36
Lumber & Furniture	289.67	289.18	296.58	36.9	37.9	37.4	7.85	7.63	7.93
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	464.20	494.08	520.81	40.4	41.8	42.9	11.49	11.82	12.14
Primary Metal Industries	445.90	470.12	417.43	36.4	37.7	35.8	12.25	12.47	11.66
Fabricated Metal Products	393.34	399.12	395.69	38.3	39.4	40.5	10.27	10.13	9.77
Machinery Exc. Electrical	384.67	387.45	421.94	38.2	37.8	40.3	10.07	10.25	10.47
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	440.36	412.78	452.58	40.4	39.5	39.7	10.90	10.45	11.40
Transportation Equipment	690.62	661.13	563.17	44.7	43.9	39.3	15.45	15.06	14.33
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(701.12)	(669.24)	(568.94)	(44.8)	(44.0)	(39.4)	(15.65)	(15.21)	(14.44)
Other Durable Goods	254.69	250.36	256.50	37.9	37.2	36.8	6.72	6.73	6.97
Nondurable Goods	414.00	400.14	389.50	41.4	40.5	41.0	10.00	9.88	9.50
Food & Kindred Products	443.25	419.76	410.27	45.0	44.0	41.4	9.85	9.54	9.91
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	204.51	189.04	207.16	34.9	35.4	34.7	5.96	5.34	5.97
*Paper & Allied Products	431.40	442.25	385.69	43.4	43.4	40.9	9.94	10.19	9.43
Printing & Publishing	422.54	398.18	420.24	39.9	37.6	41.2	10.59	10.59	10.20
Chemicals & Allied Products	493.31	477.46	492.31	41.7	40.6	43.8	11.83	11.76	11.24
Petroleum & Coal Products	456.07	472.01	325.59	37.2	38.5	34.6	12.26	12.26	9.41
Other Nondurable Goods	297.97	302.54	276.08	38.9	40.5	40.6	7.66	7.47	6.80

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

July, 1986

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate increased from 7.0% in June to 7.1% in July. Total unemployment in July stood at 90,300, a 1,900 increase over June's level. The rise in this month's rate is due to a temporary model change-over layoff affecting 4800 automobile assembly workerrs. These shutdowns affected 2 area auto plants, one a short term closure while the other will not reopen until fall because of extensive retooling. Unemployment is also being affected by the continued lackluster performance of manufacturing. Industries such as fabricated metals and apparel are still reporting monthly employment declines while most others are providing few new job opportunities. Total employment rose 6,800 over the month. Continued growth in construction, real estate, services and self employed is responsible for most of the improvement. Over the year, unemplyment rose 2,300 and employment increased 44,400. The unemployment rate in July 1985 was 7.2%. The unemployment rate decline of 0.1% since last year is due to the large labor force growth, up 46,700. There were 100 labor disputants in July, 2400 in June and 100 in July 1985.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment declined 4200 over the month. In motor vehicles, 4800 workers were affected by a temporary model change-over layoff. Losses continued in fabricated metals, apparel, chemicals and leather. The settlement of a labor dispute in electrical equipment caused the 900 increase in that industry. Aircraft continued to be one of the few manufacturing sectors providing employment growth. During July, 500 new jobs were created in this section. Over the year, manufacturing declined 5700. The motor vehicle temporary layoff this year is responsible for the 3100 decrease since July 1985 in that industry. Primary metals, fabricated metals, apparel and chemicals continued to report significant employment losses. Industries that registered gains were lumber, stone, electrical equipment, aircraft, beverages and other nondurables.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing employment declined 800 over the month. Seasonal layoffs occurring in state and local schools affected 5000 nonteaching workers in government schools. The settlement of a labor dispute in communications caused an 1100 increase in communications and public utilities. Another strike settlement, along with a continued strong housing market, added 1700 jobs in construction. Services, led by gains in hotels, business services and non-profit institutions, is up 600. Real estate was responsible for 400 of the 600 increase in finance, insurance and real estate. Over the year, nonmanufacturing has added 22,200 jobs. Most of the 4500 increase in construction is concentrated in special trades contractors. In transportation, the trucking industry is up 900. Finance, insurance and real estate continues to register improvement in all sectors. Service gains were spread among hotels, business services, medical and professional services.

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in August, 1986 is expected to be 7.1%.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

The industry distribution of Missouri resident claimants is:

Industry	Apr.	May.	Jun.	Jul.
Mining	59	33	35	27
Construction	1854	1614	1694	1349
Manufacturing	3669	3759	3843	5024
Public Utilities	856	803	853	1173
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2176	2048	2054	1983
Finance	262	255	281	282
Services	5268	5214	5412	5498
All Other	267	234	257	227
TOTAL	14411	13960	14429	15563

The occupational distribution of the intrastate Missouri resident claimant is:

Occupation	Apr.	May.	Jun.	Jul.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1595	1594	1666	1617
Clerical	2211	2227	2220	2144
Sales	578	561	568	530
Farm, Fish & Forest	114	78	77	54
Processing	347	282	280	260
Machine Trades	1110	987	971	894
Bench Work	684	893	762	694
Structural Work	1549	1384	1323	1185
Misc. Work	1955	1707	1677	1764
Service	2033	2072	2121	2074
INA	2235	2265	2764	4347
TOTAL	14411	12860	14429	15563

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1986 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	3.5	1.6
Clerical	15.7	12.2
Sales	17.3	20.2
Processing	1.7	2.0
Machine Trades	4.9	4.5
Bench Work	3.5	4.0
Structural Work	11.0	12.6
Motor Freight & Trans.	3.7	3.2
Packaging & Material Handling	9.9	11.9
Domestic	1.0	0.9
Other Services	26.4	25.7
Other Occupations	1.4	1.2

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area **Month and Year of Current:** July, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,086,500	1,091,500	1,070,000	-5,000	+16,500
Percent Change				-(0.5)	+(1.5)
Manufacturing	220,600	224,800	226,300	-4,200	-5,700
Durable Goods	138,900	142,900	141,800	-4,000	-2,900
Lumber & Furniture	4,900	5,000	4,700	-100	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,700	3,700	3,600	0	+100
Primary Metal Industries	13,500	13,500	14,300	0	-800
Fabricated Metal Products	16,500	16,800	17,200	-300	-700
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,000	18,100	18,000	-100	0
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,800	14,900	15,400	+900	+400
Transportation Equipment	53,700	58,100	55,600	-4,400	-1,900
Motor Vehicles	17,200	22,100	20,300	-4,900	-3,100
Aircraft & Parts	30,300	29,800	29,100	+500	+1,200
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	12,700	12,800	13,000	-100	-300
Nondurable Goods	81,700	81,900	84,500	-200	-2,800
Food & Kindred Products	21,100	21,000	21,400	+100	-300
Meat Products	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0
Beverages	8,500	8,400	8,400	+100	+100
Textiles & Apparel	5,700	5,800	6,400	-100	-700
Paper & Paper Products	5,800	5,700	5,900	+100	-100
Printing & Publishing	16,600	16,600	16,600	0	0
Chemical & Allied Products	19,900	20,200	21,200	-300	-1,300
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,700	2,700	2,900	0	-200
Leather & Leather Products	4,100	4,200	4,600	-100	-500
Other Nondurable Goods	5,700	5,700	5,400	0	+300
Nonmanufacturing	865,900	866,700	843,700	-800	+22,200
Mining	3,700	3,700	4,200	0	-500
Construction	59,500	57,800	55,200	+1,700	+4,500
Transportation & Public Utilities	72,900	72,700	72,600	+1,200	+300
Railroads	4,600	4,600	5,100	0	-500
Transportation, Except Railroads	39,700	39,600	39,100	+100	+600
Communications & Public Utilities	28,600	27,500	28,500	+1,100	+100
Wholesale & Retail Trade	261,800	261,900	257,500	-100	+4,300
Wholesale Trade	65,400	65,500	65,600	-100	-200
Retail Trade	196,400	196,300	191,900	+100	+4,500
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	69,900	69,300	66,300	+600	+3,600
Service, Except Domestic	268,300	267,700	258,100	+600	+10,200
Total Government	129,700	134,600	130,000	-4,900	-300
Total Federal Government	37,900	37,800	38,500	+100	-600
Total State & Local Government	91,800	96,800	91,500	-5,000	+300
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	100	2,400	100	-2,300	0

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: St. Louis Metropolitan Area **Month and Year of Current Data:** July, 1986

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$447.52	$447.43	$439.70	40.1	40.2	39.9	$11.16	$11.13	$11.02
Durable Goods	465.68	467.24	464.87	40.6	40.7	40.6	11.47	11.48	11.45
Lumber & Furniture	345.64	352.17	344.67	39.1	39.0	39.8	8.84	9.03	8.66
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	458.55	409.73	453.47	41.8	38.4	41.3	10.97	10.67	10.98
Primary Metal Industries	451.14	452.63	442.01	42.4	42.5	39.5	10.64	10.65	11.19
Fabricated Metal Products	420.80	426.13	420.04	40.0	40.7	40.9	10.52	10.47	10.27
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	443.45	447.68	434.11	39.7	39.9	39.5	11.17	11.22	10.99
Elect & Electronic Equip.	392.28	373.77	390.82	42.0	41.3	39.2	9.34	9.05	9.97
Transportation Equipment	579.92	569.53	575.19	41.1	41.3	42.2	14.11	13.79	13.63
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	310.06	308.55	297.96	37.0	37.4	38.2	8.38	8.25	7.80
Nondurable Goods	412.51	410.94	395.13	39.1	39.4	38.7	10.55	10.43	10.21
Food & Kindred Products	511.63	502.21	457.38	41.8	41.3	39.6	12.24	12.16	11.55
Textiles & Apparel	204.93	211.82	190.24	33.0	34.8	32.8	6.21	6.23	5.80
Paper & Paper Products	405.00	427.65	403.60	40.5	42.3	40.4	10.00	10.11	9.99
Printing & Publishing	364.64	373.70	385.97	36.5	37.0	37.4	9.99	10.10	10.32
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	498.98	484.72	456.46	40.7	41.5	39.9	12.26	11.68	11.44
Petroleum & Coal Products	590.40	593.28	587.29	41.2	41.2	41.8	14.33	14.40	14.05
Leather & Leather Products	235.25	213.37	196.92	37.7	35.8	36.0	6.24	5.96	5.47
Other Nondurable Goods	309.67	309.26	327.98	39.6	39.7	41.1	7.82	7.79	7.98

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

July, 1986

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA labor force expanded by 1,600 from June to reach 118,300 in July. This change reflects a jump of 1,800 in total employment and a drop of 200 in the number of unemployed. The rate of unemployment fell two-tenths of a percentage point from June to 4.2 percent in July.

Since one year ago, there are 600 fewer unemployed workers and the rate of unemployment is down by seven-tenths of a percentage point.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Payrolled employment rose 600 from June to reach 100,600 in July. A accumulation of small gains in various industries collectively pushed manufacturing employment up 100 from June to reach 19,400 in July. The major increases in wage and salaried employment occurred in the nonmanufacturing segment. Nonmanufacturing industries recording significant changes in employment levels from June include: construction, up 100; transportation and utilities, up 300; trade, up 200; finance, insurance and real estate, down 100; and government, down 200. Approximately 200 of the gain in transportation and utilities represents the return to work by persons that had been involved in a labor management during June.

Since July 1985, payrolled employment shows an overall gain of 2,200 jobs. This is the net result of a 200 loss in manufacturing jobs and a gain of 2,400 in the number employed in the nonmanufacturing segment.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers, rose two-cents from June to $9.02 in July. This gain was forstered by an increase in the amount of overtime worked. Average weekly hours worked jumped

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current: July, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	100,600	100,000	98,400	+600	+2,200
Manufacturing	19,400	19,300	19,600	+100	-200
Durable Goods	10,100	10,100	10,400	0	-300
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	1,100	1,100	1,000	0	+100
Other Durable Goods	9,000	9,000	9,400	0	-400
Nondurable Goods	9,200	9,200	9,200	0	0
Food Processing	4,000	3,900	3,800	+100	+200
Printing & Publishing	1,500	1,600	1,600	-100	-100
Other Nondurable Goods	3,700	3,700	3,700	0	0
Nonmanufacturing	81,200	80,700	78,800	+500	+2,400
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	4,700	46500	4,500	+100	+200
Transportation & Utilities	6,100	5,800	6,300	+300	+300
Trade	28,100	27,900	27,400	+200	+700
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,700	4,800	4,600	-100	+100
Services	25,500	25,500	24,300	0	+1,200
Government	11,800	12,000	11,600	-200	+200
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	10,100	10,200	9,900	-100	+200
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	200	0	-200	0

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from 42.0 in June to 43.5 in July.

During July 1985, average hourly earnings was calculated at $9.00 per hour and the average fractory work week came to 35.3 hours.

Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Payroll employment is expected to show a slight rise during August. Employment gains are anticipated in both the manufacturing and nonmanufacturing sectors.

The number of unemployed workers will edge downward during the 30 day period. It would appear the rate of unemployment will drop one or two-tenths of a percentage point to the 4.0 level.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: July, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$392.37	$378.00	$317.70	43.5	42.0	35.3	$9.02	$9.00	$9.00
Durable Goods	385.24	367.21	273.94	44.9	42.6	31.2	8.58	8.62	8.78
Nondurable Goods	401.99	392.64	376.18	41.7	41.2	40.8	9.53	9.53	9.22
Food & Kindred Products	484.64	463.95	378.14	44.3	43.4	40.4	10.94	10.69	9.36
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Missouri Area Labor Trends

Data Month August 1986

A Monthly Review of Missouri Labor Market Information

Missouri Labor Market Review

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Missouri employment and unemployment both increased in August, but the changes appeared to be insignificant. Total employment increased by 8200 to 2,424,400 in August, a new high level for the state. Statewide unemployment increased by about 2600 to 162,400. The August unemployment rate of 6.3 percent was only one-tenth of a percentage point above the July rate.

The growth in employment marked a continuation of a long trend. Year-to-year growth remained high in August, with total employment in the latest month representing growth of more than 70,000 from August 1985.

Nonfarm payroll employment also increased in August, returning to the record level reached in May. There were about 2,162,900 nonfarm payroll jobs in the state in August, 9000 more than in July and 51,700 more than in August 1985. Manufacturing employment increased by 4800 jobs in August, despite the model changeover layoffs that kept automobile employment below its recent level. Electrical and electronic equipment grew by 1900 jobs in August, while furniture and fixtures was up by 1200 jobs. Smaller gains were noted in food and kindred products and textile and apparel manufacturing, among others. Compared to a year ago, manufacturing employment is down by 3200 jobs, including declines in shoe manufacturing, primary metal industries, and machinery manufacturing. The nonmanufacturing industries showed continued strong growth; these industries in aggregate grew by 4100 jobs from month ago and 54,800 jobs from year earlier levels. Retail trade, services, and construction continued to be the primary growth sectors.

Although the change in unemployment from July to August appears to represent an insignificant movement, the August level is also higher than it was a year ago, by about 10,000. Based on data for the first eight months of the year, unemployment for 1986 might average about the same as in 1985. If so, it would be the first year since 1983 when

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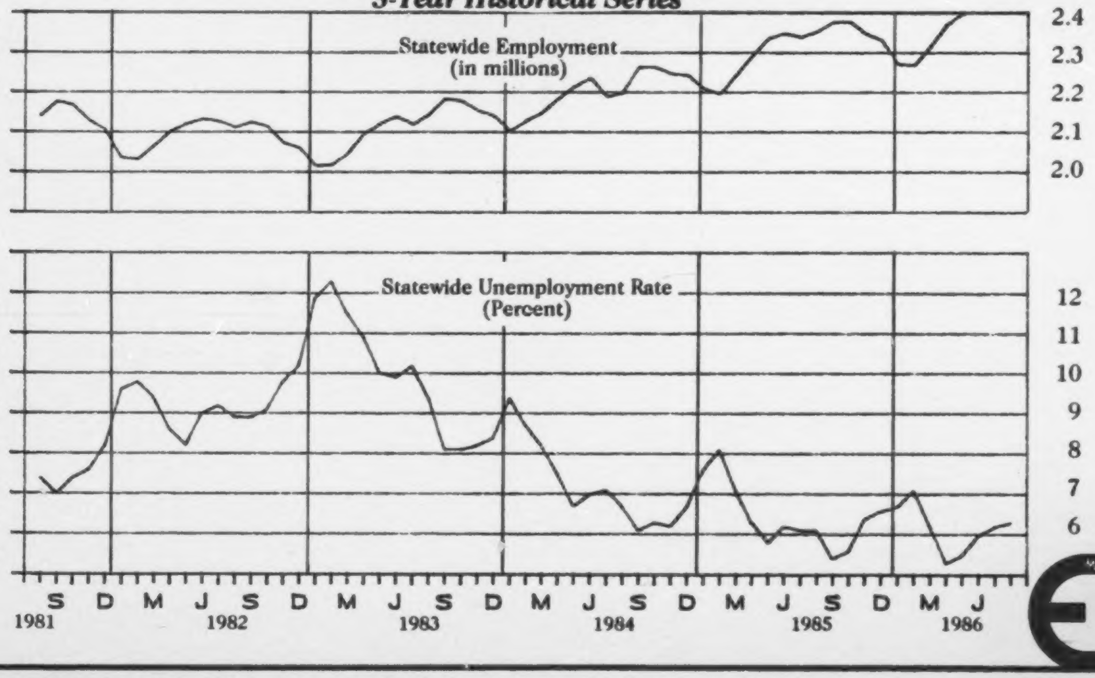

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY - A Division of the Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

Table 1
MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - AUG 1986 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - JUL 1986 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - AUG 1985 (BENCHMARKED 1985)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2586753	2424421	162332	6.3	2575961	2416243	159718	6.2	2506174	2353887	152287	6.1
ST. LOUIS MSA	1265752	1171454	94298	7.4	1270505	1178964	91541	7.2	1225795	1135799	89996	7.3
KANSAS CITY MSA	814252	778015	36237	4.5	811907	774061	37846	4.7	825930	787789	38141	4.6
SPRINGFIELD MSA	121288	115380	5908	4.9	118216	113122	5094	4.3	115982	110640	5342	4.6
COLUMBIA MSA	60168	58367	1801	3.0	60031	58272	1759	2.9	58503	56381	2122	3.6
JOPLIN MSA	69949	65854	4095	5.9	69239	64994	4245	6.1	66263	62554	3709	5.6
ST. JOSEPH MSA	43231	40246	2985	6.9	43171	40174	2997	6.9	42381	39512	2869	6.8
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	13218	12619	599	4.5	13365	12691	674	5.0	13237	12530	707	5.3
ANDREW	7764	7371	393	5.1	7663	7267	396	5.2	7437	7112	325	4.4
ATCHISON	3351	3216	135	4.0	3452	3276	176	5.1	3501	3304	197	5.6
AUDRAIN	10827	9971	856	7.9	10792	9996	796	7.4	11197	10400	797	7.1
BARRY	12706	11932	774	6.1	12742	11968	774	6.1	12048	11390	658	5.5
BARTON	5622	5471	151	2.7	5853	5627	226	3.9	5569	5386	183	3.3
BATES	6572	6224	348	5.3	6685	6243	442	6.6	6683	6348	335	5.0
BENTON	6233	5866	367	5.9	6212	5813	399	6.4	5684	5394	300	5.3
BOLLINGER	3731	3330	401	10.7	3729	3300	429	11.5	3613	3175	438	12.1
BUTLER	16168	14670	1498	9.3	15798	14189	1609	10.2	16172	14780	1392	8.6
CALDWELL	3314	3176	138	4.2	3374	3077	297	8.8	3030	2882	148	4.9
CALLAWAY	15088	14064	1024	6.8	14856	13930	926	6.2	15745	14659	1086	6.9
CAMDEN	17412	16683	729	4.2	17223	16560	663	3.8	15678	15076	602	3.8
CAPE GIRARDEAU	33016	31540	1476	4.5	33224	31618	1606	4.8	29942	28635	1307	4.4
CARROLL	5596	5288	308	5.5	5591	5146	445	8.0	5209	4966	243	4.7
CARTER	2063	1803	260	12.6	2201	1885	316	14.4	2352	2010	342	14.5
CEDAR	5249	4978	271	5.2	5314	4969	345	6.5	5075	4687	388	7.6
CHARITON	5193	4921	272	5.2	5209	4894	315	6.0	5439	5139	300	5.5
CLARK	3948	3743	205	5.2	3932	3641	291	7.4	3753	3530	223	5.9
CLINTON	6444	6066	378	5.9	6467	6046	421	6.5	6384	5980	404	6.3
COLE/OSAGE LMA	40945	39099	1846	4.5	41187	39206	1981	4.8	39393	37363	2030	5.2
COOPER	6986	6610	376	5.4	6926	6480	446	6.4	6940	6514	426	6.1
CRAWFORD	7273	6554	719	9.9	7328	6669	659	9.0	6942	6413	529	7.6
DADE	3044	2916	128	4.2	3126	2899	227	7.3	3077	2904	173	5.6
DALLAS	4300	3956	344	8.0	4269	3954	315	7.4	4119	3731	388	9.4
DAVIESS	3984	3870	114	2.9	4066	3872	194	4.8	3808	3619	189	5.0
DEKALB	4229	4008	221	5.2	4253	4011	242	5.7	4128	3944	184	4.5
DENT	6110	5389	721	11.8	6228	5467	761	12.2	5701	5242	459	8.1
DOUGLAS	5177	4695	482	9.3	4973	4569	404	8.1	5375	4882	493	9.2
DUNKLIN	14212	13057	1155	8.1	14306	12963	1343	9.4	13939	12694	1245	8.9
GASCONADE	7554	7017	537	7.1	7504	6973	531	7.1	7123	6750	373	5.2
GENTRY	3331	3220	111	3.3	3398	3261	137	4.0	3370	3256	114	3.4
GRUNDY	5264	5028	236	4.5	5346	5000	346	6.5	5350	4985	365	6.8
HARRISON	5094	4919	175	3.4	5129	4891	238	4.6	4977	4788	189	3.8
HENRY	9124	8603	521	5.7	9150	8603	547	6.0	9046	8419	627	6.9
HICKORY	3087	2909	178	5.8	3131	2947	184	5.9	2639	2456	183	6.9
HOLT	2951	2837	114	3.9	2973	2849	124	4.2	2948	2823	125	4.2
HOWARD	4647	4304	343	7.4	4693	4437	256	5.5	4806	4452	354	7.4
HOWELL	13062	11832	1230	9.4	13128	11744	1384	10.5	12867	11656	1211	9.4
IRON	3127	2630	497	15.9	3128	2612	516	16.5	3550	3048	502	14.1
JOHNSON	16210	15515	695	4.3	16138	15448	690	4.3	16083	15465	618	3.8
KNOX	2390	2259	131	5.5	2411	2273	138	5.7	2269	2125	144	6.3
LACLEDE	11975	11076	899	7.5	12044	11210	834	6.9	12171	11062	1109	9.1
LAWRENCE	14787	13890	897	6.1	14772	13912	860	5.8	14278	13409	869	6.1

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LEWIS	5711	4982	729	12.8	5411	4917	494	9.1	5366	4924	442	8.2
LINCOLN	12706	11496	1210	9.5	12270	11571	699	5.7	12077	10983	1094	9.1
LINN	6933	6475	458	6.6	6807	6446	361	5.3	6517	6007	510	7.8
LIVINGSTON	7154	6866	288	4.0	7042	6743	299	4.2	6873	6519	354	5.2
MACON	8081	7592	489	6.1	8187	7734	453	5.5	7750	7276	474	6.1
MADISON	4314	3920	394	9.1	4295	3850	445	10.4	3801	3464	337	8.9
MARIES	3764	3440	324	8.6	3794	3494	300	7.9	3576	3345	231	6.5
MARION/RALLS LMA	19774	18646	1128	5.7	19900	18640	1260	6.3	18907	17682	1225	6.5
MCDONALD	8359	7880	479	5.7	8232	7585	647	7.9	7895	7488	407	5.2
MERCER	1683	1627	56	3.3	1764	1661	103	5.8	1705	1622	83	4.9
MILLER	11403	10671	732	6.4	10899	10162	737	6.8	10554	9916	638	6.0
MISSISSIPPI	6397	5798	599	9.4	6434	5803	631	9.8	6458	5826	632	9.8
MONITEAU	6461	6101	360	5.6	6407	6026	381	5.9	6243	5876	367	5.9
MONROE	5930	5683	247	4.2	5903	5633	270	4.6	5051	4808	243	4.8
MONTGOMERY	5302	4900	402	7.6	5136	4785	351	6.8	5325	4902	423	7.9
MORGAN	7508	7055	453	6.0	7639	7166	473	6.2	7455	6934	521	7.0
NEW MADRID	9317	8490	827	8.9	9602	8690	912	9.5	9244	8274	970	10.5
NODAWAY	10390	10063	327	3.1	10453	10108	345	3.3	10318	9986	332	3.2
OREGON	4023	3619	404	10.0	3954	3550	404	10.2	3740	3434	306	8.2
OZARK	3703	3464	239	6.5	3671	3429	242	6.6	3699	3448	251	6.8
PEMISCOT	9072	8223	849	9.4	9184	8275	909	9.9	8667	7881	786	9.1
PERRY	8505	7944	561	6.6	8396	7827	569	6.8	7924	7496	428	5.4
PETTIS	19396	18207	1189	6.1	19612	18184	1428	7.3	18597	17354	1243	6.7
PHELPS	16892	16024	868	5.1	16638	15769	869	5.2	15963	15186	777	4.9
PIKE	9070	8496	574	6.3	9172	8575	597	6.5	8299	7691	608	7.3
POLK	9324	8608	716	7.7	9304	8618	686	7.4	8670	7994	676	7.8
PULASKI	12393	11686	707	5.7	12378	11717	661	5.3	11201	10582	619	5.5
PUTNAM	2326	2233	93	4.0	2307	2210	97	4.2	2261	2156	105	4.6
RANDOLPH	12278	11573	705	5.7	12308	11666	642	5.2	12415	11610	805	6.5
REYNOLDS	2001	1608	393	19.6	2052	1634	418	20.4	1892	1567	325	17.2
RIPLEY	4437	4064	373	8.4	4412	3981	431	9.8	4139	3760	379	9.2
SALINE	12480	11908	572	4.6	12597	11885	712	5.7	12394	11825	569	4.6
SCOTLAND	2679	2552	127	4.7	2590	2509	81	3.1	2582	2463	119	4.6
SCOTT	18237	16843	1394	7.6	18432	16880	1552	8.4	17786	16333	1453	8.2
SHANNON	3143	2771	372	11.8	3102	2670	432	13.9	3097	2707	390	12.6
SHELBY	3992	3843	149	3.7	4001	3868	133	3.3	3866	3752	114	2.9
ST. CLAIR	3553	3362	191	5.4	3574	3393	181	5.1	3367	3161	206	6.1
ST. FRANCOIS	19580	17760	1820	9.3	19150	17288	1862	9.7	18706	16793	1913	10.2
STE. GENEVIEVE	7923	7420	503	6.3	7836	7280	556	7.1	7161	6730	431	6.0
STODDARD	14014	12798	1216	8.7	13933	12592	1341	9.6	12776	11784	992	7.8
STONE	11771	11157	614	5.2	11283	10663	620	5.5	11335	10747	588	5.2
SULLIVAN	3515	3337	178	5.1	3560	3314	246	6.9	3627	3409	218	6.0
TANEY	20351	19595	756	3.7	20361	19641	720	3.5	19096	18397	699	3.7
TEXAS	9856	8940	916	9.3	9866	8908	958	9.7	9250	8284	966	10.4
VERNON	9307	8863	444	4.8	9454	8915	539	5.7	9141	8749	392	4.3
WARREN	9768	9021	747	7.6	9331	8900	431	4.6	8644	8032	612	7.1
WASHINGTON	6170	4534	1636	26.5	6376	4759	1617	25.4	6079	5168	911	15.0
WAYNE	4845	4315	530	10.9	4924	4331	593	12.0	4329	3848	481	11.1
WEBSTER	10261	9351	910	8.9	9905	9092	813	8.2	9093	8410	683	7.5
WORTH	1419	1385	34	2.4	1472	1412	60	4.1	1371	1316	55	4.0
WRIGHT	6931	6277	654	9.4	6866	6169	697	10.2	6839	6263	576	8.4

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
August, 1986

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2168.0	2153.9	2111.2									
Total Manufacturing	427.6	417.8	425.8	401.80	389.94	378.50	41.0	40.2	39.8	9.80	9.70	9.51
Durable Goods	244.5	235.1	241.2	448.38	430.73	413.88	42.3	41.1	40.3	10.60	10.48	10.27
Lumber & Wood Products	10.4	10.0	10.1	258.32	259.61	245.78	40.3	40.5	39.9	6.41	6.41	6.16
Furniture & Fixtures	11.3	10.1	10.2	319.93	288.37	314.58	42.6	38.5	42.8	7.51	7.49	7.35
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	12.2	12.1	11.4	487.17	445.88	410.26	44.9	41.4	39.6	10.85	10.77	10.36
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.0	571.96	594.52	554.00	39.5	41.2	40.0	14.48	14.43	13.85
Structural Clay Prod.	2.0	2.1	2.0	486.42	467.39	445.44	40.2	38.5	38.6	12.10	12.14	11.54
Primary Metal Industries	11.9	12.0	12.6	451.17	445.96	426.54	40.5	39.5	40.7	11.14	11.29	10.48
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.5	1.4	1.8	390.32	368.77	372.26	41.0	37.1	41.5	9.52	9.94	8.97
Nonferrous Foundries	3.0	3.0	3.1	351.70	339.46	347.95	43.1	41.6	44.1	8.16	8.16	7.89
Fabricated Metal Products	27.8	27.5	29.0	393.78	400.18	400.56	40.1	39.7	41.9	9.82	10.08	9.56
Structural Metal Prod.	11.3	11.2	11.5	401.14	396.42	391.73	41.1	40.7	43.0	9.76	9.74	9.11
Machinery Exc. Electrical	30.3	30.3	31.4	422.26	411.35	408.18	42.1	41.3	40.9	10.03	9.96	9.98
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	49.7	47.8	50.8	403.42	402.80	382.45	43.1	42.4	40.6	9.36	9.50	9.42
Transportation Equipment	71.6	65.9	66.5	611.94	574.56	536.25	43.4	42.0	39.0	14.10	13.68	13.75
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	34.5	28.6	29.6	645.48	596.14	557.58	44.0	42.1	37.7	14.67	14.16	14.79
Instruments & Related Prod.	12.0	12.1	11.6	315.55	302.64	306.43	40.3	39.0	39.9	7.83	7.76	7.68
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.3	7.1	7.5	265.83	264.65	241.80	40.4	39.5	37.5	6.58	6.70	6.50
Nondurable Goods	183.1	182.7	184.7	340.81	337.74	333.98	39.4	39.0	39.2	8.65	8.66	8.52
Food & Kindred Products	46.8	46.3	45.1	394.00	401.02	398.37	41.3	41.3	40.9	9.54	9.71	9.74
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	12.8	12.4	11.8	293.82	298.39	260.74	41.5	41.5	38.8	7.08	7.19	6.72
Dairy Products	6.4	6.4	6.3	411.86	420.40	386.46	40.9	41.5	41.2	10.07	10.13	9.38
Grain Mill Products	7.4	7.3	7.2	458.22	437.03	438.53	45.1	43.1	42.7	10.16	10.14	10.27
Bakery Products	5.6	5.5	5.3	389.38	408.84	392.11	38.4	38.9	38.9	10.14	10.51	10.08
Beverages	10.1	10.1	9.8	549.00	558.87	614.45	37.5	38.2	40.8	14.64	14.63	14.06

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Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kind. Prod.	4.5	4.6	4.7	381.23	416.38	442.51	42.5	43.6	45.2	8.97	9.55	9.79
Textile & Apparel	24.2	23.6	24.2	206.28	197.33	201.12	37.1	35.3	36.5	5.56	5.59	5.51
Paper & Allied Products	13.5	13.5	13.3	390.31	395.93	382.53	40.7	41.2	41.0	9.59	9.61	9.33
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	7.1	7.0	7.1	404.35	407.95	378.80	41.6	41.5	40.6	9.72	9.83	9.33
Printing & Publishing	40.4	40.7	40.2	419.16	377.91	377.13	41.0	39.0	39.0	9.98	9.69	9.67
Commercial Printing	13.6	13.7	12.9	452.50	446.04	435.64	41.4	41.3	40.3	10.93	10.80	10.81
Chemicals & Allied	28.6	28.7	29.3	433.42	432.61	436.80	39.8	39.4	40.0	10.89	10.98	10.92
Leather & Leather Products	16.2	16.4	18.3	181.58	199.56	195.48	32.6	35.7	36.2	5.57	5.59	5.40
Footwear Exc. Rubber	12.9	13.1	14.8	171.20	188.84	189.89	32.0	35.1	36.1	5.35	5.38	5.26
Total Nonmanufacturing												
Mining	5.8	6.0	6.6									
Construction	115.7	113.7	106.0									
Transportation & Public Util.	142.6	142.7	142.8									
Railroad Transportation	18.1	18.1	16.0									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	69.1	69.1	71.4									
Communications	55.4	55.5	55.4									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	542.0	537.4	520.7									
Wholesale Trade	128.4	129.1	130.5									
Retail Trade	413.6	408.3	390.2									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	127.5	127.6	123.2									
Services	500.3	497.3	479.8									
Government	306.4	311.5	306.4									
Federal Government	71.8	72.0	70.5									
State & Local Government	234.6	239.5	235.9									

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unemployment did not decrease from the previous year.

The factory workweek rebounded to 41 hours in August, up from 40.2 hours in July. Average hourly earnings remained the same --$9.70, while average weekly earnings increased by nearly $8 to $397.70. Both the workweek and earnings are up from year-earlier levels.

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

National employment increased in August, and unemployment stayed about the same as in July. The seasonally adjusted civilian unemployment rate dropped by one-tenth of a percentage point -- a statistically insignificant change --to 6.8 percent. This rate is about half a point lower than it was in May and little different from the year-ago rate. Employment, measured by either the household or the establishment survey, has increased by about 2.5 million over the past year.

Although official Gross National Product data will not be out until the latter half of October, many economists believe economic activity has accelerated somewhat from the weak growth displayed in the second quarter of the year. Growth still appears to be at a rather sluggish pace, however.

Outlook

Sluggish growth is likely to continue for some months. Relative strength in the service-producing sectors will probably continue to offset the weakness in the goods-producing industries.

Missouri employment should increase and unemployment decrease in September before the start of the fall and winter seasonal reversal. Further decreases in the trend of unemployment do not appear likely. As long as the underlying trend in employment continues strong, substantial increases beyond the usual seasonal ones also appear unlikely.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments Missouri — August, 1986

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,586,700	2,575,200	2,506,200	11,500	80,500
Total Employed	2,424,400	2,416,200	2,353,900	8,200	70,500
Total Unemployed	162,300	159,700	152,300	2,600	10,000
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	6.3	6.2	6.1	0.1	0.2
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	2,162,900	2,153,900	2,111,200	9,000	51,700
Manufacturing	422,600	417,800	425,800	4,800	-3,200
Durable Goods	239,500	235,100	241,200	4,400	-1,700
Nondurable Goods	183,100	182,700	184,700	400	-1,600
Nonmanufacturing	1,740,300	1,736,200	168,500	4,100	1,571,800
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	7,963	9,547	8,129	-1,584	-166
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	45,979	47,275	43,969	-1,296	2,010
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.5	2.4	2.3	0.1	0.2
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	3,093	3,792	3,624	-699	-531
Amount of Benefits Paid	$17,976,674	$18,413,541	$15,613,157	-$445,867	$2,354,517
State U.I.	17,627,999	18,041,028	15,298,268	-413,029	2,329,731
UCFE	171,864	180,813	158,022	-8,949	13,842
UCX	167,811	191,700	156,967	-23,889	10,944

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

August, 1986

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The completion of retooling for model changeovers in the automobile industry and continued increases in seasonal industries added 5,100 payroll jobs to the Area employment total and led to the Area's unemployment rate falling to 4.5 per cent in August 1986. Over-the-month total civilian employment was up by 3,900. Growth in the civilian labor force added 2,400 persons to the Area's employed while 1,500 jobless workers found jobs over-the-month.

Wage and salaried employment in August 1986 was 709,200 up by 5,100 jobs from the July 1986 total of 702,300. Job gains over-the-month were almost equally spread between the Manufacturing and Nonmanufacturing sectors. The return to work of 2,400 automobile assembly workers who were temporarily laid off during retooling for model changeovers accounted for the change in Manufacturing employment over-the-month. With few exceptions the Manufacturing sector has remained relatively stable through the first eight months of 1986. While total Nonmanufacturing employment has recorded virtually steady growth over-the-year, all sectors have not shared equally in that growth. Much of the growth continues to be fueled predominatly by seasonal factors. Over-the-month, Retail Trade contributed the largest number of jobs with 1,800 jobs added primarily in eating and drinking establishments, department and apparel stores. The Services industry added 600 jobss mostly in recreation related activities. The Construction sector with 31,100 jobs in August, added 500 jobs over-the-month primarily in special trades. The trucking industry showed increased activity over-the-month and accounted for most of the 500 jobs added in the Transportation, Communications and Utilities industry. Two of the remaining industries within Nonmanufacturing were the only losers in the Area over-the-month. Wholesale Trade showed a loss of 500 jobs and Finance, Insurance and Real Estate lost 300 jobs.

Wage and salaried employment increased from 702,300 to 709,200 from August 1985 to August 1986 for a total of 6,900 jobs. Durable Goods Manufacturing grained 1,100 jobs while Nondurable Goods Manufacturing was unchanged. The Nonmanufacturing sector added 5,800 jobs over the 12 month period. Within Manufacturing the largest over-the-year increase occurred in the automobile assembly industry primarily as a result of layoffs related to the timing of model changeovers in August 1985. The only other Manufacturing industry which recorded significant gain over August 1985 levels was the Chemical industry which, as a result of steady growth in the drugs industry, added 700 jobs over the period. The Continued competition in the electronic components industry appears to be responsible for the steady losses suffered by the Electrical/Electronic Equipment Industry. Over the 12 month period, the industry lost 1,100 jobs. In addition to these losses, other modest losses were recorded in Machinery and Fabricated Metals Products.

Two industries within Nonmanufacturing also suffered losses in August 1986 compared to August 1985. The Construction industry registered 3,900 fewer jobs in August 1986 compared to August 1985. Despite monthly increases in 1986, in the first eight months of 1986 the Area gained only 5,000 jobs compared to 8,900 jobs during this same period in 1985 and 9,600 jobs during this same period in 1984. Although the Area continues to show steady improvement and growth in the Construction industry, the rate of growth has been relatively slower this year than in the previous two years. Wholesale Trade with 500 fewer jobs compared to a year ago also has held fairly stable employment in 1986.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 36,300 in August 1986 for 4.5 per cent of the labor force compared to 37,800 in July 1986 for 4.7 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

The opening of Area school will contribute to a substantial increase in employment and lower the unemployment rate by half a point in September 1986. Employment in State and Local Government. Transportation and Services will all show employment increases as a result of schools reopening. Other seasonal related industries such as Construction, Retail Trade and non-school related Services will begin to record modest declines in employment. Manufacturing employment is expected to hold steady. Unemployment is expected to be 3.8 per cent of the labor force in September 1986 compared to 4.5 per cent in August 1986 and 3.9 per cent in September 1985.

As the Area's labor market begins to readjust to the end of Summer and the beginning of Fall unemployment rate may rise slightly in October 1986. The civilian labor force will shrink as students returning to school and other temporary summer workers withdraw from the labor market. Seasonal losses will continue in Construction, Services and Retail Trade. Unemployment is expected to be 4.0 per cent of the labor force in October 1987, compared to 4.2 per cent in October 1985.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1985)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current:** August, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	709,200	704,100	720,300	+5,100	+6,900
Total Manufacturing	118,200	115,900	117,100	+2,300	+1,100
Durable Goods	66,700	64,100	65,600	+2,600	+1,100
Lumber & Furniture	3,400	3,400	3,300	0	+100
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,900	3,800	4,000	+100	-100
Primary Metal Industries	3,500	3,600	3,500	-100	0
Fabricated Metal Products	9,500	9,300	9,800	+200	-300
Machinery Except Electrical	7,900	7,700	8,200	+200	-300
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	20,300	20,400	21,400	+2,400	-1,100
Transportation Equipment	14,300	11,900	11,700	+2,400	+2,600
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(14,000)	(11,500)	(11,400)	(+2,500)	(+2,600)
Other Durable Goods	4,000	4,000	3,800	0	+200
Nondurable Goods	51,500	51,800	51,500	-300	0
Food & Kindred Products	9,500	9,600	9,500	-100	0
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,300	2,400	2,400	-100	-100
Paper & Allied Products	5,800	5,800	5,600	0	+200
Printing & Publishing	20,000	20,100	20,100	-100	-100
Chemicals & Allied Products	9,000	8,900	8,300	+100	+700
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	4,300	4,400	5,000	-100	-700
Total Nonmanufacturing	591,000	588,200	585,200	+2,800	+5,800
Mining & Quarrying	400	500	500	-100	-100
Construction	31,100	30,500	35,000	+600	-3,900
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	53,400	52,900	52,800	+500	+600
Wholesale & Retail Trade	192,400	191,100	187,200	+1,300	+5,200
Wholesale Trade	(55,800)	(56,300)	(56,300)	(-500)	(-500)
Retail Trade	(136,600)	(134,800)	(130,900)	(+1,800)	(+5,700)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	53,600	53,900	52,400	-300	+1,200
Services	158,000	157,200	158,100	+800	-100
Government	102,000	102,200	99,300	-200	+2,700
Federal Government	(29,900)	(29,800)	(28,300)	(+100)	(+1,600)
State & Local Government	(72,100)	(72,300)	(71,000)	(-200)	(+1,100)
In Labor-Management Disputes	200	100	200	+100	0

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: **Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas** **Month and Year of Current Data:** **August, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$478.30	$442.09	$436.19	41.7	40.3	40.5	$11.47	$10.97	$10.77
Durable Goods	510.83	456.98	460.09	41.7	39.6	39.8	12.25	11.54	11.56
Lumber & Furniture	313.23	294.41	318.35	39.4	37.6	40.4	7.95	7.83	7.88
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	483.28	445.05	493.12	41.2	38.7	39.8	11.73	11.50	12.39
Primary Metal Industries	611.94	432.76	435.10	43.4	34.9	38.0	14.10	12.40	11.45
Fabricated Metal Products	409.46	390.39	402.82	40.5	38.5	41.4	10.11	10.14	9.73
Machinery Exc. Electrical	412.23	381.02	427.52	41.1	37.8	40.6	10.03	10.08	10.53
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	430.73	445.61	459.02	39.3	40.4	39.3	10.96	11.03	11.68
Transportation Equipment	735.48	655.32	605.81	45.4	43.0	40.2	16.20	15.24	15.07
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(744.84)	(665.46)	(612.16)	(45.5)	(43.1)	(40.3)	(16.37)	(15.44)	(15.19)
Other Durable Goods	255.56	248.27	240.69	38.2	37.0	35.5	6.69	6.86	6.62
Nondurable Goods	422.66	419.20	398.94	41.6	41.3	41.6	10.16	10.15	9.59
Food & Kindred Products	423.79	443.83	406.70	43.2	43.9	41.5	9.81	10.11	9.80
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	196.97	198.06	204.92	34.8	33.4	35.7	5.66	5.93	5.74
*Paper & Allied Products	447.77	444.71	385.56	43.6	43.9	42.0	10.27	10.13	9.18
Printing & Publishing	474.29	422.01	436.56	43.0	39.7	40.8	11.03	10.63	10.70
Chemicals & Allied Products	470.04	511.70	509.97	39.8	42.5	44.5	11.81	12.04	11.46
Petroleum & Coal Products	467.40	449.68	372.20	38.0	36.5	40.5	12.30	12.32	9.19
Other Nondurable Goods	290.19	298.65	294.55	38.9	39.4	43.0	7.46	7.58	6.85

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

August, 1986

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate rose from 7.2% in July to 7.4% in August. Over the month, unemployment rose by 2,800 and employment declined 4,300. The model change-over layoffs occurring this summer in the local auto industry continued to cause the area's rate to increase. During August, 7600 auto workers were affected by these temporary layoffs. The MSA counties most affected by these shut-downs during the past 2 months have been St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin. During this same period, the Illinois portion unemployment rate has declined while St. Louis City and County have registered only small increases. Over the year, unemployment rose by 4,300 and employment increased 35,700. The unemployment rate in August, 1985 was 7.3%. The above mentioned auto layoffs and continuing declines in many area manufacturing sectors caused the unemployment increase. Nonmanufacturing and self-employment continued to be responsible for most of the employment gains during the past 12 months. There were 300 labor disputants in August, 100 in July and 900 in August, 1985.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment declined 3500 over the month. In nonelectrical machinery, a strike affecting 300 workers caused the decline in that industry. Motor vehicles was affected by model change-over layoffs. Chemicals, down 200, continued its 1986 slide. Lumber and furniture added 200 workers as construction remained strong in the area. Over the year, manufacturing declined by 2700. Chemicals, down 1200, registered the greatest job loss totals. Significant losses also continued to be reported by primary metals and textiles and apparel. During the past 12 months, employment gains occurred in aircraft, electrical equipment, lumber and furniture and beverages.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing employment declined 2600 over the month. State and local government was affected by a seasonal layoff of 3700 workers. The trucking industry, affected by the temporary auto industry layoffs, caused the 500 decline in nonrail transportation. Gains continued to be reported by retail trade, finance and services. Construction, after registering strong gains throughout most of 1986, remained unchanged. Over the year, nonmanufacturing has added 16,000 workers. Services, up 9600, was responsible for 60% of the new nonmanufacturing jobs. Service gains continued to be concentrated in hotels, business services, medical and professional services. Construction, retail trade and finance have also created many new jobs over the past year. Employment declines were reported by mining, railroads and local governments. The local government declines were concentrated in the medical area.

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in September, 1986 is expected to be 6.8%.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

The industry distribution of Missouri resident claimants is:

Industry	May.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
Mining	33	35	27	27
Construction	1614	1694	1349	1134
Manufacturing	3759	3843	5024	10334
Public Utilities	803	853	1173	1168
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2048	2054	1983	2006
Finance	255	281	282	287
Services	5214	5412	5498	5326
All Other	234	257	227	274
TOTAL	13960	14429	15563	20556

The occupational distribution of the intrastate Missouri resident claimant is:

Occupation	May.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1594	1666	1617	1793
Clerical	2227	2220	2140	2281
Sales	561	568	530	545
Farm, Fish & Forest	78	77	54	60
Processing	282	280	260	257
Machine Trades	987	971	894	943
Bench Work	803	762	694	707
Structural Work	1384	1323	1185	2483
Misc. Work	1707	1677	1764	1782
Service	2072	2121	2074	2099
INA	2265	2764	4347	7606
TOTAL	13960	14429	15563	20556

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1987 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	3.2	1.5
Clerical	16.3	12.6
Sales	19.0	24.5
Processing	1.4	1.4
Machine Trades	6.6	7.1
Bench Work	3.7	4.2
Structural Work	4.5	4.0
Motor Freight & Trans.	3.8	2.3
Packaging & Material Handling	14.2	22.0
Domestic	1.2	0.7
Other Services	23.5	16.6
Other Occupations	2.6	3.1

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area　　**Month and Year of Current:** August, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,079,400	1,085,500	1,066,100	-6,100	+13,300
Percent Change				-(0.6)	+(1.2)
Manufacturing	217,200	220,700	219,900	-3,500	-2,700
Durable Goods	135,500	138,800	135,400	-3,300	+100
Lumber & Furniture	5,100	4,900	4,800	+200	+300
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,600	3,700	3,700	-100	-100
Primary Metal Industries	13,500	13,500	14,400	0	-900
Fabricated Metal Products	16,500	16,400	16,800	+100	-300
Machinery, Except Electrical	17,600	18,000	17,800	-400	-200
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,800	15,800	15,400	0	+400
Transportation Equipment	50,300	53,500	49,400	-3,200	+900
Motor Vehicles	14,100	17,000	14,800	-2,900	-700
Aircraft & Parts	30,100	30,300	28,600	-200	+1,500
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	13,100	13,000	13,100	+100	0
Nondurable Goods	81,700	81,900	84,500	-200	-2,800
Food & Kindred Products	21,400	21,300	21,700	+100	-300
Meat Products	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0
Beverages	8,700	8,600	8,400	+100	+300
Textiles & Apparel	5,700	5,700	6,500	0	-800
Paper & Paper Products	5,800	5,800	5,800	0	0
Printing & Publishing	16,500	16,600	16,600	-100	-100
Chemical & Allied Products	19,800	20,000	21,000	-200	-1,200
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,700	2,700	2,800	0	-100
Leather & Leather Products	4,200	4,100	4,500	+100	-300
Other Nondurable Goods	5,600	5,700	5,600	-100	0
Nonmanufacturing	862,200	864,800	846,200	-2,600	+16,000
Mining	3,600	3,700	4,100	-100	-500
Construction	59,400	59,400	56,300	0	+3,100
Transportation & Public Utilities	72,200	72,700	72,100	-500	+100
Railroads	4,600	4,600	5,100	0	-500
Transportation, Except Railroads	39,000	39,500	38,500	-500	+500
Communications & Public Utilities	28,600	28,600	28,500	0	+100
Wholesale & Retail Trade	262,400	261,700	258,500	+700	+3,900
Wholesale Trade	65,300	65,300	65,300	0	0
Retail Trade	197,100	196,400	193,200	+700	+3,900
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	70,300	70,100	66,600	+200	+3,700
Service, Except Domestic	268,700	268,100	259,100	+600	+9,600
Total Government	125,600	129,200	129,500	-3,500	-3,900
Total Federal Government	37,800	37,600	38,400	+200	-600
Total State & Local Government	87,800	91,500	91,100	-3,700	-3,300
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	300	100	900	+200	-600

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: **St. Louis Metropolitan Area** **Month and Year of Current Data:** **August, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$453.47	$440.59	$435.69	41.3	39.8	39.5	$10.98	$11.07	$11.03
Durable Goods	469.54	456.67	454.61	41.7	40.2	39.6	11.26	11.36	11.48
Lumber & Furniture	343.26	345.64	349.73	39.5	39.1	41.0	8.69	8.84	8.53
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	440.40	457.18	391.25	40.0	41.6	36.6	11.01	10.99	10.69
Primary Metal Industries	427.85	420.85	481.38	43.0	41.3	42.6	9.95	10.19	11.30
Fabricated Metal Products	448.20	424.76	440.99	41.5	40.3	42.2	10.80	10.54	10.45
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	457.16	432.23	431.12	40.6	38.8	39.3	11.26	11.14	10.97
Elect & Electronic Equip.	363.49	388.13	383.33	39.9	41.6	39.6	9.11	9.33	9.68
Transportation Equipment	611.89	569.08	553.34	43.8	41.0	37.9	13.97	13.88	14.60
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	320.10	307.81	299.49	38.8	36.6	38.2	8.25	8.41	7.84
Nondurable Goods	425.72	411.72	403.06	40.7	39.1	39.4	10.46	10.53	10.23
Food & Kindred Products	497.31	510.45	480.32	41.1	41.5	41.3	12.10	12.30	11.63
Textiles & Apparel	208.42	213.36	204.97	34.0	33.6	34.8	6.13	6.35	5.89
Paper & Paper Products	432.55	413.69	438.18	42.7	41.0	43.6	10.13	10.09	10.05
Printing & Publishing	380.85	364.54	379.25	38.2	36.6	37.0	9.97	9.96	10.25
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	497.63	485.62	465.61	41.4	40.2	40.7	12.02	12.08	11.44
Petroleum & Coal Products	526.31	592.04	589.06	36.6	41.2	41.6	14.38	14.37	14.16
Leather & Leather Products	196.14	235.25	187.48	32.8	37.7	34.4	5.98	6.24	5.45
Other Nondurable Goods	317.79	313.60	310.08	40.9	40.0	39.3	7.77	7.84	7.89

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

August, 1986

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA unemployment rate rose six-tenths of a percentage point from July to 4.9 percent in August. This jump resulted from a substantial increase in new claims for unemployment insurance. The number of unemployed persons was up from 5,100 in July to 5,900 in August. During the same period, total employment increased from 113,100 to 115,400.

During August 1985, there were 5,300 unemployed workers and the rate of unemployment was calculated at 4.6 percent.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Payrolled employment estimated at 101,500, rose 1,400 from July. This change results from job increases in manufacturing and nonmanufacturing sectors of 400 and 1,000 respectively. Total manufacturing jobs, estimated at 19,900 for August, are at the highest level recorded so far in 1986. Nonmanufacturing employment increased from 80,600 in July to 81,600 in August. Nonmanufacturing industries recording significant changes in employment levels since July include: construction, up 100; transportation and utilities, up 300; trade, up 400; services, up 800; and government, down 400. Over the past 12 months nonmanufacturing jobs have shown a net growth of 1,400 jobs, including 800 in trade and 900 in services. The most significant job loss occurred in transportation and utilities with a drop of 300 during the 12 month period.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers fell from $9.01 in July to $8.88 in August. This drop was fostered in part by a wage rate reduction within the nondurable goods manufacturing

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current: August, 1986

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	101,500	100,100	99,700	+1,400	+1,800
Manufacturing	19,900	19,500	19,500	+400	+400
Durable Goods	10,500	10,200	10,200	+300	+300
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	1,100	1,100	1,000	0	+100
Other Durable Goods	9,400	9,100	9,200	+300	+200
Nondurable Goods	9,400	9,300	9,200	+100	+200
Food Processing	4,000	4,000	3,800	0	+200
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,800	3,700	3,800	+100	0
Nonmanufacturing	81,600	80,600	80,200	+1,000	+1,400
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	4,800	4,700	4,900	+100	-100
Transportation & Utilities	6,100	5,800	6,400	+300	-300
Trade 28,500	28,100	27,700	+400	+800	
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,700	4,700	4,600	0	+100
Services	26,300	25,500	25,400	+800	+900
Government	11,200	11,600	11,200	-400	0
Federal	1,800	1,700	1,700	+100	+100
State and Local	9,400	9,800	9,500	-400	-100
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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group. Also, less overtime worked in the food processing industries during August accounted for some of the drop in average hourly earnings. The average factory work week was up three-tenths of an hour from July to 43.9 hours in August

During August 1985, average hourly earnings amounted to $8.89 and the work week averaged 39.5 hours.

Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Payroll employment is expected to show a slight rise during September. Job reductions in manufacturing industries will be more than off-set by seasonal employment gains in school employment. Manufacturing employment is expected to drop approximately 500 in September and an additional 500 in October.

The rate of unemployment should remain near the current level during September. By mid-October, a rate of 5.3 percent of the labor force seems likely.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: August, 1986**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$389.83	$392.84	$351.16	43.9	43.6	39.5	$8.88	$9.01	$8.89
Durable Goods	404.32	385.20	329.67	47.4	45.0	38.2	8.53	8.56	8.63
Nondurable Goods	370.83	402.41	378.12	39.2	41.7	41.1	9.46	9.65	9.20
Food & Kindred Products	438.43	486.62	387.46	41.4	44.4	40.7	10.59	10.96	9.52
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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